



Nonprofit Boards: Are you ready to serve?

July 24, 2014 at 6 PM
Chicago, IL

Interested in taking a leadership role at a nonprofit? How can you manage such a commitment in addition to an already-demanding job? For the first time, we'll tackle these questions together with a panel who can relate. The discussion will include an overview of how these nonprofit boards operate, select new members and most importantly, execute!

Key themes include:

- What qualities and backgrounds are nonprofit boards looking for?
- How do you find and successfully pursue the right nonprofit board?
- What are the right questions to ask before committing?
- How can you add value and effectively participate?
- What are the biggest challenges?

We look forward to hearing your questions about the prospect of serving on a nonprofit board during the panel discussion.

100WHF's Women on Boards Initiative aims to identify who amongst our members is interested in corporate and private Board and/or nonprofit Board opportunities. To complete the nonprofit Board questionnaire, or update your submission, please login to [My Profile](#) and click *Nonprofit Boards*.

Participants

Kate Bensen, The Chicago Network
Delia Coleman, Donor's Forum
Elizabeth Connelly, J.P. Morgan
Fran Tuite, CFA, CPA, 1837 Partners
Kerry Jordan, CFA, Moderator, RMB Capital

Event Details

Date: July 24, 2014

Time: 5:15 PM Registration.

We will begin *promptly* at 6 PM; please arrive early. Since it is disruptive to everyone when latecomers enter the session, those arriving after a session has begun will only be admitted at the discretion of 100WHF and the host. Please note the start time on this invite and plan to arrive early.

Networking and cocktails before and after session.

Hosts: PEAK6 Investments L.P., Ropes & Gray and Red Door

Location: PEAK6 Investments, L.P.

141 W. Jackson Blvd. Suite 500, **Chicago**, IL 60604

(Please see below for directions.)

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To make a contribution to 100WHF's 2014 U.S. beneficiary, Cerebral Palsy International Research Foundation (CPIRF) and their initiatives including Transforming Healthcare for Women with Disabilities, please [click here](#).

If you have any questions about this event, please contact the [Chicago Philanthropy](#) committee.

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This event is NOT FOR ATTRIBUTION. All 100WHF events are private events and we require that no one reports publicly on any aspect of them.

Admission is free, but there is a \$25 charge if you register and do not attend, even if you cancel in advance. No-show proceeds will be donated to Cerebral Palsy International Research Foundation, the 2014 beneficiary of 100WHF's US philanthropic initiatives.

If you have no-show fees in arrears, the system cannot register you for an event. You can view and pay for any outstanding no-show fees online from your [Member Profile](#)

Space is limited. No walk-ins will be permitted.

Biographies

Kate Bensen, CEO, The Chicago Network

Ms. Kate Bensen, is President and CEO for the Chicago Network, comprised of 400+ women executives within Chicago's business, professional, cultural, nonprofit and educational communities. TCN empowers all women through its initiatives; notably TCN Census Report which measures the progress of women at 50 largest publicly reporting companies in the Chicagoland area and The Women on Boards Initiative which is committed to increasing the number of women on public and nonprofit boards. Ms. Bensen has more than 20 years' experience working with nonprofits, as a lawyer, board member and executive. Kate received her AB in economics from the University of Chicago and her law degree from Loyola University of Chicago School of Law. She is involved with several organizations including The Arts Club of Chicago, Economic Club, and Women's Board of University of Chicago (past chair). She has served in board leadership roles at over a dozen nonprofits; including chairing nominating committees.

Delia Coleman, Director of Public Policy, Donor's Forum

Ms. Delia Coleman is Director of Public Policy and Strategic Communications for the Donor's Forum. The Forum is the only statewide association of its kind, serving more than 1,100 funders and nonprofits. Through its Donors Forum Library, leaders can access the second largest collection of philanthropy resources in the U.S. Donors Forum provides unique programs that strengthen the effectiveness of nonprofit organizations. Since joining the Donors Forum in 2010, Ms. Coleman engages with elected officials and the media about the value of philanthropy to Illinois. Previously, Delia was Government Relations Officer at YWCA Metropolitan Chicago. She has been a Board Member of Chicago Lights and an Advocacy Council member of Women Employed. She is currently affiliated with the National Women's Law Center 2010 Progressive Leadership and Advocacy Network (PLAN) and Board Co-Chair of the Chicago Abortion Fund. Delia earned a B.A. from UCLA, and an M.A. from the University of Michigan.

Elizabeth Connelly, Midwest, South and Intermountain Region Head: Government, Not-For-Profit and Healthcare Banking, J.P. Morgan

Ms. Liz Connelly is the Region Head for J.P. Morgan's Government, Not-For-Profit and Healthcare Commercial Banking business. Connelly's sales team works with over 2300 Midwestern clients. Liz is also a member of the Firm's Midwest Operating Committee, Illinois Market Leadership Team and its global Women's Interactive Network. Prior to her current role, Liz served for six years as the Midwest Regional Director for J.P. Morgan's Private Banking business. In her 25 year career at the Firm, she has held positions of increasing responsibility in the Investment Bank, Asset Management and now Commercial Banking. She received her B.S. in Foreign Service from Georgetown University and her M.B.A. from the J.L. Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University. She serves as trustee for The Chicago Network, The Shedd Aquarium, Harris Theater, Children's Home and Aid Society of Illinois, Steppenwolf Theatre, and Sacred Heart Schools of Chicago.

Fran Tuite, CFA, CPA, Portfolio Manager, 1837 Partners

Ms. Fran Tuite is founder and portfolio manager of 1837 Partners, a long/short equity hedge fund. She has been in the investment business over 30 years. She has been an analyst at Johnson Investment Counsel, William Blair & Co., Hesperus Partners, Ltd., and Sirius Partners, Ltd. She established and was portfolio manager for The Talon Small Cap Fund L.P. (now known as Talon Opportunity Partners L.P). In March 2006, she joined as General Partner at RMB Capital Management, LLC. Ms. Tuite received her BBA from the University of Cincinnati and her MBA from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. She holds the CFA designation and has passed the CPA examination. She is also a member of the CFA Society of Chicago. Fran is a Directors Circle Member of the Steppenwolf Theatre, Board Chair for Recovery on Water, and Chair of the Old Town Art Fair's Garden Walk.

Kerry Jordan, CFA, Director of Business Development, Alternatives, RMB Capital

Ms. Kerry Jordan, CFA is the Director of Business Development at RMB Capital Management for its Iron Road Partners division. RMB Capital with nearly \$4 billion in assets is one of the 50 largest independent investment advisory firms in the US. Previously, Ms. Jordan was Head of Marketing and Chief Compliance Officer for Chicago Capital Management L.P, a managing director at Phalanx Capital Management, LLC., and a director in the Global Derivatives group at Bank of America. Ms. Jordan earned her BBA from the University of Massachusetts and a MS in Finance from the George Washington University. Ms. Jordan, an active volunteer with the CFA Society Chicago and the CFA Institute, currently serves as CFA Chicago's Treasurer and Secretary, Executive Committee member, Board of Directors member, and Women Advisory Group co-chair. Ms. Jordan is a board trustee for Econ Illinois and was named a 2014 Fellow for the International Women's Forum's On the Board program.

Directions

Please take the escalator to the 2nd floor check-in security desk. From there, you will be directed to take the farthest elevator bank to the 5th floor, where PEAK6 is located. Please check-in for the event there.

Please Note: The event space at PEAK6 provides a unique opportunity to enjoy the panel from contemporary bench seating overlooking the original Chicago Board of Trade floor. Limited chairs will be provide for those who need them.

[Click here for more directions](#)

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