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Education

B.S.B. in Accounting,
University of Minnesota -
Carlson School of
Management

M.S., Applied Geoscience,
University of Pennsylvania

Certifications

Certified Public Accountant
(Minnesota, New York,
Florida)

Associations

The Economic Club of New
York

Committee for Economic
Development (CED)

National Association of
Corporate Directors
(NACD) Board Leadership
Fellow

American Institute of
Certified Public
Accountants

Society for Corporate
Governance

A prominent regulatory and corporate governance expert, Bob Kueppers has maintained significant relationships with the SEC, PCAOB, Treasury, as well as both Committees and Members of Congress. His regulatory work on behalf of clients and the public accounting profession began in the mid-1980s long before such expertise became crucial for all public companies. As a CPA, senior audit partner and noted leader at Deloitte and of the accounting profession, Kueppers is an exceptionally qualified financial expert.

Bob's clients have included global Fortune 100 companies (Boeing, General Motors, Best Buy, and Dow Chemical), in addition to many other public companies. He frequently handled high-profile client matters for public companies facing multi-year restatements, allegations of fraud, and investigations by the SEC and other agencies. His judgment and problem-solving skills were instrumental in achieving the best possible outcomes in these complex situations. His knowledge and guidance in these situations earned Bob the trust and confidence of his clients, their law firms, and the regulators.

While at Deloitte he was Deputy CEO, Vice Chairman, Managing Partner of Deloitte's Center for Corporate Governance (2007-2014), US Leader of Regulatory & Public Policy, Global Regulatory liaison between the US and the Global firms, Deloitte's Chief Risk Officer, the firm's top Senior Technical Partner, and leader of its SEC Services & Independence groups. In the mid-1990s, Kueppers was Executive Vice President & CFO of Plaid Clothing Group, Inc. a private company with public debt. In the mid-1980s Bob completed a two-year fellowship with the Chief Accountant of the SEC in Washington DC.

From 2007 to 2014 Kueppers was the leader of the Deloitte Center for Corporate Governance in New York. In that role he increased the prominence of the Center, through his speaking and writing activities as well as timely and useful tools for corporate directors, particularly audit committees. Kueppers hosted a series of nationwide private broadcasts for corporate directors featuring panel discussions and interviews. Kueppers is a member of the Society for Corporate Governance, the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) where he is a designated Board Leadership Fellow. Bob was honored as one of the 100 Most Influential Professionals in the Boardroom in 2009, 2012, 2013, and 2014 by NACD.

Bob has been active in non-profits, as director and often chairman. The United Way of New York City is a special interest. Bob became a member in 2010, and became Chair in 2012. He led the organization through a management change with a new CEO, a refreshed strategy, and improved performance. Other non-profits include the University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management's Board of Advisors, Member, now Chair (2007-2021); SEC Historical Society, Founding Trustee, past President and Chair (1999-2015); Committee for Economic Development (now part of The Conference Board), Trustee and Committee Chair (2012-

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present); Ira M. Millstein Center for Global Markets & Corporate Ownership, Columbia University, Advisory Board Member (2008-2017); and, American Corporate Partners, a US veterans mentoring organization, Director (2011-2015).

Bob has been a licensed Certified Public Accountant since 1978. His current licenses are in Minnesota, New York, and Florida.

Since retiring from Deloitte, Kueppers joined consulting firm Sage Partners LLC as a partner and provides consulting services to clients, specializing in strategy and corporate governance.

Bob is a Senior Advisor to FTI Consulting, and member of the Advisory Boards of Vivio Health, and Pratter.us, each a healthcare start-up.

Service to the Profession

- AICPA SEC Regulations Committee, Member
- AICPA Professional Ethics Executive Committee, Member
- SEC Practice Section Executive Committee, Chair, during transition from self-regulation to direct regulation by the PCAOB
- AICPA Nominating Committee, Member
- AICPA Center for Public Company Audit Firms, Chair
- Center for Audit Quality Executive Committee, Chair
- Member, PCAOB Standing Advisory Group
- Member and Chair of numerous Task Forces, ad hoc committees, etc.

Service on Non-Profit Boards of Directors

- SEC Historical Society, Washington DC, Founding Trustee, Officer, and Chair (1999-2015)
- United Way of New York City Board of Directors, Member & Chair (2010-2016)
- University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management Board of Overseers, Member & Chair (2007-2021)
- Ira M. Millstein Center for Global Markets & Corporate Ownership, Columbia University, New York City, Trustee (2008-2016)
- Committee for Economic Development of the Conference Board, Washington DC, Trustee (2012-2015), now affiliated with The Conference Board
- American Corporate Partners, New York, Board Member (2011-2015)
- Brehm Preparatory School, Carbondale IL (2018-present)
- Landings Holiday Charitable Foundation, Inc., Sarasota FL (2017-present)

Awards & Recognition

- Named one of the 100 Most Influential Professionals in the Boardroom by NACD in 2009, 2012, 2013, and 2014.
- Board Leadership Fellow, NACD (2016-2021).
- University of Minnesota, Outstanding Achievement Award; 2012
- University of Minnesota, Alumni Service Award, 2020