

## The National Association of Corporate Directors Names Corporate Governance Communications Expert Elizabeth Saunders to the 'Directorship 100': Governance Professionals and Institutions List for a Second Consecutive Year

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## **Recognition Reiterates the Increasing Need for Boardroom Communications**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- FTI Consulting, Inc. (NYSE: FCN), the global business advisory firm dedicated to helping organizations protect and enhance their enterprise value, today announced that <u>Elizabeth ("Beth") Saunders</u> was named to the <u>2014 National</u> <u>Association of Corporate Directors ("NACD") 'Directorship 100</u>': Governance Professionals and Institutions list. Ms. Saunders is a Senior Managing Director and the Americas Chairman of the <u>Strategic Communications</u> segment at FTI Consulting, and is the only communications strategist to be named to this prestigious list for a second consecutive year, reiterating a growing importance of boardroom and executive communications.

"Beth's inclusion in this year's 'Directorship 100' is a reflection of her outstanding accomplishments and the counsel she provides our clients in and out of the boardroom," said <u>Steven H. Gunby</u>, President and Chief Executive Officer of FTI Consulting. "Beth's leadership and experience in this arena allows us to work alongside directors and management teams to identify opportunities to improve their corporate governance practices and shareholder engagement strategies. I am delighted that the NACD has selected to honor Beth for a second year in a row."

As Strategic Communications' Americas Chairman and Head of the Financial Communications practice in North America, Ms. Saunders has served as senior counsel to a range of companies undergoing enterprise-shaping events, including contested proxies, initial public offerings, leadership transitions, and mergers & acquisitions – including several of this year's largest M&A transactions. Ms. Saunders is renowned for her expertise in corporate governance communications and capital market communications strategies.

"It is an honor to be recognized by the NACD again and to be included with such an esteemed group of dedicated corporate directors and corporate governance leaders," said Ms. Saunders. "With the growing demands from shareholders for greater transparency and an increasingly active and connected shareholder community, our clients and partners have recognized the necessity of proactive strategic communications to address governance matters through shareholder engagement strategies that protect and enhance their enterprise value."

The 'Directorship 100' is a distinguished honor that annually recognizes the most influential leaders in the boardroom and corporate governance community and is comprised of 100 individuals, including 50 corporate directors and 50 leaders from organizations that impact boardroom agendas. This year's honorees will be recognized during the <u>NACD 'Directorship 100' Gala</u> on December 3, 2014 in New York City.

For more insights and information specific to corporate governance and shareholder activism, visit the Company's Strategic Communications <u>Shareholder Engagement microsite</u> or contact the <u>Strategic Communications</u> segment at FTI Consulting.

## About NACD

The National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) is the advocate for the profession of directorship and the recognized authority focused on advancing exemplary board leadership and establishing leading boardroom practices. Informed by more than 35 years of experience, NACD delivers insights and resources that more than 14,000 corporate director members rely upon to make sound strategic decisions and confidently confront complex business challenges. NACD provides world-class director education programs, national peer-exchange forums, and proprietary research to promote director professionalism, ultimately enhancing the economic sustainability of the enterprise and bolstering stakeholder confidence. Fostering collaboration among directors, investors, and governance stakeholders, NACD is shaping the future of board leadership. To learn more about NACD, please visit www.NACDonline.org or 202-380-1891.

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