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## LAMAR ADVERTISING COMPANY

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## NOTICE OF 2018 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 17, 2018

To our Stockholders:

The 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Lamar Advertising Company, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), will be held at the offices of Lamar Advertising Company, 5321 Corporate Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time on Thursday, May 17, 2018, for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect seven directors, each for a one-year term.
- 2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the 2018 fiscal year.
- 3. To transact any other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on March 19, 2018 will be entitled to vote at the meeting.

We have elected to provide access to our proxy materials over the internet for the holders of our Class A Common Stock under the Securities and Exchange Commission's "notice and access" rules. Detailed information concerning these matters is set forth in the Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials (the "Notice"), which holders of our Class A Common Stock have received in the mail, and in this Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and the attached Proxy Statement.

It is important that your shares be represented at the meeting. Therefore, whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, please either vote by telephone or internet (if you hold shares of our Class A Common Stock) or, if you received printed proxy materials and wish to vote by mail, please promptly sign and return your proxy card in the enclosed envelope. Please review the instructions on each of your voting options described in the attached Proxy Statement as well as in the Notice you received in the mail. If you attend the Annual Meeting and wish to vote your shares in person, your proxy will not be used.

By order of the Board of Directors, James R. McIlwain Secretary

Baton Rouge, Louisiana April 6, 2018

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## LAMAR ADVERTISING COMPANY

# PROXY STATEMENT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 17, 2018

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

This proxy statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of Lamar Advertising Company for use at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at the offices of Lamar Advertising Company, 5321 Corporate Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time on Thursday, May 17, 2018, and at any adjournments of the Annual Meeting.

We have elected to distribute our proxy materials for the Annual Meeting to holders of our Class A Common Stock via the internet under the "notice and access" approach permitted by the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Accordingly, on or about April 6, 2018, we will mail a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the "Notice") to holders of Class A Common Stock that contains instructions on how to access the proxy materials, including this proxy statement and our annual report to stockholders for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, on the internet. Our annual report to stockholders includes a copy of our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, as filed with the SEC on February 27, 2018, except for certain exhibits. Holders of our Class B Common Stock and Series AA Preferred Stock will receive printed copies of our proxy materials.

If you are a holder of our Class A Common Stock and would prefer to receive a paper copy of our proxy materials, please follow the instructions included in the Notice.

#### Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on May 17, 2018

The proxy statement and annual report to security holders are available at <u>https://materials.proxyvote.com/512816.</u>

## **Record Date, Voting Rights and Outstanding Shares**

The Board of Directors has fixed March 19, 2018, as the record date for determining the holders of our capital stock who are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

We have two classes of common stock and one class of preferred stock issued and outstanding: Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share, Class B Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share, and Series AA Preferred Stock, \$0.001 par value per share. We refer to our Class A Common Stock and our Class B Common Stock collectively as our common stock.

With respect to the matters submitted for vote at the Annual Meeting, each share of Class A Common Stock is entitled to one vote, each share of Class B Common Stock is entitled to ten votes, and each share of Series AA Preferred Stock is entitled to one vote.

Our Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock and Series AA Preferred Stock will vote as a single class on the matters submitted at the Annual Meeting. On March 19, 2018, there were outstanding and entitled to vote 83,977,918 shares of Class A Common Stock, 14,420,085 shares of Class B Common Stock, and 5,719.49 shares of Series AA Preferred Stock.

The presence at the Annual Meeting, in person or by proxy, of the holders of one-third of the issued and outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock, and Series AA Preferred Stock entitled to vote at the close of business on March 19, 2018 will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If you are a beneficial owner whose shares are held of record by a broker, you must instruct the broker how to vote your shares. If you do not provide voting instructions, your shares will not be voted on any proposal on which the broker does not have discretionary authority to vote. This is called a "broker non-vote." We will count broker non-votes, votes withheld, and abstentions as being present at the Annual Meeting for purposes of determining whether a quorum exists.

Holders of our Class A Common Stock who do not attend the Annual Meeting in person may vote their shares electronically via the internet or by telephone, or may request printed proxy materials and submit the proxy card enclosed therein by mail. Holders of our Class B Common Stock and Series AA Preferred Stock who do not attend the Annual Meeting in person may vote their shares by submitting the proxy card enclosed in our printed proxy materials by mail, but may not vote their shares electronically via the internet or by telephone.

Internet and telephone voting are available through 11:59 p.m. Central Daylight Time on May 16, 2018. Proxy cards sent by mail, if received in time for voting and not revoked, will be voted at the Annual Meeting according to the instructions on the proxy cards. If no instructions are indicated, the shares represented by the proxy will be voted:

- FOR the election of the director nominees named herein;
- FOR the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the 2018 fiscal year; and
- In accordance with the judgment of the proxy holders as to any other matter that may be properly brought before the Annual Meeting or any adjournments of the Annual Meeting.

Shares counted as present at the Annual Meeting that abstain from voting on a particular matter or that are represented by a broker non-vote as to a particular matter will not be considered as votes cast on that matter. Accordingly, abstentions and broker non-votes will not affect the outcome of any matter to be voted on at the Annual Meeting that requires the affirmative vote of a certain percentage or a plurality of the votes cast on a matter to approve it.

## **Voting of Proxies**

If you hold shares of our Class A Common Stock, please refer to the Notice for instructions regarding how to access our proxy materials and vote your shares electronically via the internet or by telephone. The Notice also contains instructions if you would like to receive a paper copy of our proxy materials and vote by mail. You may also vote in person at the Annual Meeting. If you hold your shares through a bank, broker or other nominee, it will give you separate instructions for voting your shares.

If you hold shares of our Class B Common Stock or Series AA Preferred Stock, you may vote by mail by submitting the proxy card enclosed in our printed proxy materials. You may also vote in person at the Annual Meeting.

### **Revocability of Proxies**

Any stockholder giving a proxy has the power to revoke it at any time before it is exercised. You may revoke the proxy by filing an instrument of revocation or a duly executed proxy bearing a later date with our Secretary at our principal executive offices, 5321 Corporate Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808. You may also revoke your proxy by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person. If you do not revoke your proxy, we will vote the proxy at the Annual Meeting in accordance with the instructions indicated on your proxy card.

#### **Householding of Annual Meeting Materials**

As permitted by the SEC, we have adopted a procedure called "householding" to satisfy the rules regarding delivery of proxy materials. This means that only one copy of our Notice or proxy materials may have been sent to multiple stockholders with the same last name in your household. We will promptly deliver a separate copy of any document to you upon request. Requests may be made by calling Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc., toll-free in the United States at 1-866-540-7095 or by writing to Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. Attn. Householding Department, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, New York 11717.

# SHARE OWNERSHIP

# **Common Stock**

The following table sets forth certain information known to us as of March 19, 2018 with respect to the shares of our Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock beneficially owned as of that date by: (i) each of our directors and each of our nominees for director; (ii) each of our executive officers named in the 2017 Summary Compensation Table contained in this proxy statement; (iii) all of our directors and executive officers as a group; and (iv) each person known by us to beneficially own more than 5% of our Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock. Our Class B Common Stock is convertible into Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis. Except as otherwise indicated, we believe each beneficial owner named below has sole voting and sole investment power with respect to all shares beneficially owned by that holder. Percentage calculations of beneficial ownership are based on 83,977,918 shares of Class A Common Stock and 14,420,085 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding on March 19, 2018.

Beneficial Owner	Title of Class	No. of Shares Owned	Percent of Class
Directors, Nominees for Director and Executive Officers			
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.†°	Class A	357,591(1)	*
	Class B(2)	11,362,250(3)(4)	78.79%(5)
Sean E. Reilly	Class A	133,319(6)	*
	Class B(2)	10,557,835(4)(7)	73.22%(8)
Anna Reilly†°	Class A	152,566(9)	*
	Class B(2)	10,000,000(4)(10)	69.35%(11)
Wendell Reilly <sup>+°</sup>	Class A	10,736(12)	*
	Class B(2)	9,500,000(4)(13)	65.88%(14)
Keith A. Istre	Class A	200,547(15)	*
Stephen P. Mumblow <sup>+°</sup>	Class A	7,031(16)	*
John Maxwell Hamilton°	Class A	16,709(17)	*
Thomas V. Reifenheiser†°	Class A	47,677(18)	*
John E. Koerner, III†°	Class A	32,441(19)	*
Marshall Loeb†	N/A	0	*
All Current Directors and Executive Officers as a Group (9			
Persons)	Class A & B	15,388,702(20)	15.64%(21)
Five Percent Stockholders			
The Reilly Family Limited Partnership	Class B(2)	9,000,000	62.41%(22)
Janus Henderson Group plc			
201 Bishopsgate EC2M 3AE			
London, United Kingdom	Class A	8,133,870(23)	9.69%
BlackRock, Inc.			
55 East 52nd Street			
New York, NY 10055	Class A	7,690,836(24)	9.16%
The Vanguard Group			
100 Vanguard Blvd.			
Malvern, PA 19355	Class A	7,082,613(25)	8.43%

Class
5.95%

Less than 1%.

- Current director.
- (1) Includes 100,000 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 19, 2018.
- (2) Upon the sale of any shares of Class B Common Stock to a person other than to a Permitted Transferee, such shares will automatically convert into shares of Class A Common Stock. Permitted Transferees include (i) a descendant of Kevin P. Reilly, Sr.; (ii) a spouse or surviving spouse (even if remarried) of any individual named or described in (i) above; (iii) any estate, trust, guardianship, custodianship, curatorship or other fiduciary arrangement for the primary benefit of any one or more of the individuals named or described in (i) adove; and (iv) any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other business organization controlled by and substantially all of the interests in which are owned, directly or indirectly, by any one or more of the individuals and entities named or described in (i), (ii) above. Except for voting rights, the Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock are substantially identical. The holders of Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock vote together as a single class (except as may otherwise be required by Delaware law), with the holders of Class A Common Stock entitled to one vote per share and the holders of Class B Common Stock entitled to ten votes per share on all matters on which the holders of common stock are entitled to vote.
- (3) Includes 566,211 shares held by Ninemile, L.L.C., of which Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. is the managing member, all of which are pledged as collateral for a loan. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. has sole voting power over the shares held by Ninemile, L.L.C. but dispositions of the shares require the approval of 66% of the outstanding membership interests. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. disclaims beneficial ownership in the shares held by Ninemile, L.L.C., except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) Includes, 9,000,000 shares held by the Reilly Family Limited Partnership (the "RFLP"), of which Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. is the managing general partner, 500,000 shares of which are pledged as collateral for a loan. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.'s three siblings, Anna Reilly (a nominee for director), Sean E. Reilly (our Chief Executive Officer) and Wendell Reilly (a nominee for director) are the other general partners of the RFLP. The managing general partner has sole voting power over the shares held by the RFLP but dispositions of the shares require the approval of 50% of the general partnership interests of the RFLP. Anna Reilly, Sean E. Reilly, and Wendell Reilly disclaim beneficial ownership in the shares held by the RFLP, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- (5) Represents 11.55% of the Class A Common Stock if all shares of Class B Common Stock are converted into Class A Common Stock.
- (6) Includes 100,000 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 19, 2018.
- (7) Includes 757,375 shares held by Jennifer and Sean Reilly Family, LLC.
- (8) Represents 10.73% of the Class A Common Stock if all shares of Class B Common Stock are converted into Class A Common Stock.
- (9) Includes 142,213 shares owned jointly by Anna Reilly and her spouse and 10,000 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 19, 2018.
- (10) Includes 1,000,000 shares owned jointly by Ms. Reilly and her spouse.
- (11) Represents 10.16% of the Class A Common Stock if all shares of Class B Common Stock are converted into Class A Common Stock.
- (12) Includes 5,000 shares held by his spouse and 4,000 shares subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 19, 2018. Also includes 1,383 shares that are pledged as collateral for a loan.
- (13) Includes 500,000 shares pledged as collateral for a loan.
- (14) Represents 9.65% of the Class A Common Stock if all shares of Class B Common Stock are converted into Class A Common Stock.

<sup>+</sup> Nominee for director.

- (15) Includes 50,000 shares of Class A Common Stock subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 19, 2018.
- (16) Includes 6,501 shares held in a brokerage margin account. The margin balance outstanding, if any, pursuant to such account may vary from time to time.
- (17) Includes 8,000 shares of Class A Common Stock subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 19, 2018.
- (18) Includes 23,200 shares of Class A Common Stock subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 19, 2018.
- (19) Includes 20,000 shares of Class A Common Stock subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 19, 2018.
- (20) See Notes 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13 and 15-19.
- (21) Assumes the conversion of all shares of Class B Common Stock into shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (22) Represents 9.15% of the Class A Common Stock if all shares of Class B Common Stock are converted into Class A Common Stock.
- (23) As reported in the Schedule 13G filed on February 13, 2018 with the SEC for the year ended December 31, 2017, Janus Henderson Group plc ("Janus Henderson") has an ownership stake in certain asset management entities, which furnish investment advice to various fund, individual and/or institutional clients ("Managed Portfolios"), including Janus Capital Management LLC ("Janus Capital"). Janus Henderson has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to all such shares. Includes 4,249,302 shares beneficially owned by Janus Enterprise Fund ("JEF") of which Janus Capital serves as an investment adviser, 1,516,506 shares beneficially owned by Janus Capital's wholly-owned subsidiary Perkins Investment Management LLC ("Perkins") as a result of Perkins's serving as investment adviser of various Managed Portfolios, and 15,210 shares beneficially owned by Janus Capital's majority-owned subsidiary INTECH Investment Management ("INTECH") as a result of INTECH's serving as investment adviser of various Managed Portfolios.
- (24) As reported in the Schedule 13G/A filed on January 25, 2018 with the SEC for the year ended December 31, 2017, BlackRock, Inc. has sole voting power with respect to 7,390,020 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 7,690,836 shares.
- (25) As reported in the Schedule 13G/A filed on February 9, 2018 with the SEC for the year ended December 31, 2017, The Vanguard Group ("Vanguard") has sole voting power with respect to 47,109 shares, shared voting power with respect to 8,885 shares, sole dispositive power with respect to 7,033,336 shares and shared dispositive power with respect to 49,277. Includes 40,392 shares beneficially owned by Vanguard's wholly-owned subsidiary Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company ("VFTC") as a result of VFTC's serving as investment manager of collective trust accounts and 15,602 shares beneficially owned by Vanguard's wholly-owned subsidiary Vanguard Investments Australia, Ltd. ("VIA") as a result of VIA's serving as investment manager of Australian investment offerings.
- (26) As reported in the Schedule 13G/A filed on February 14, 2018 with the SEC for the year ended December 31, 2017, as a result of Capital Research and Management Company ("CRMC") and Capital International Limited acting as investor advisers to various investment companies registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, Capital World Investors ("CWI") is deemed to be the beneficial owner of 4,993,322 shares over which it has sole voting and dispositive power. CWI holds more than five percent of the outstanding Class A Common Stock of Lamar Advertising Company as of December 29, 2017 on behalf of The Income Fund of America.

#### **Preferred Stock**

The Company also has outstanding 5,719.49 shares of Series AA Preferred Stock. Holders of Series AA Preferred Stock are entitled to one vote per share. The Series AA Preferred Stock is held as follows: 3,134.8 shares (54.8%) by the RFLP, of which Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. is the managing general partner and Anna Reilly, Sean E. Reilly, and Wendell Reilly are the general partners; 1,500 shares (26.2%) by Charles W. Lamar III; 784.69 shares (13.7%) by Mary Lee Lamar Dixon; and 300 shares (5.3%) by the Josephine P. Lamar Test. Trust #1. The aggregate outstanding Series AA Preferred Stock represents less than 1% of the capital stock of the Company.

# SECTION 16(A) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Our directors, our executive officers and anyone owning beneficially more than ten percent of our registered equity securities are required under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to file with the SEC reports of their ownership and changes to their ownership of our securities. They must also furnish copies of the reports to us. Based solely on our review of the reports furnished to us and any written representations we received that no other reports were required, we believe that, during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, our officers, directors and ten-percent stockholders complied with all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to them.

# EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTRANT

<u>Name</u> Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. Sean E. Reilly Keith A. Istre AgeTitle63Chairman of the Board and President56Chief Executive Officer

65 Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Each officer's term of office extends until the meeting of the Board of Directors following the next annual meeting of stockholders and until a successor is elected and qualified or until his earlier resignation or removal.

Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. has served as our President since February 1989 and as one of our directors since February 1984. Mr. Reilly also served as our Chief Executive Officer from February 1989 until February 2011. Prior to becoming President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Reilly served as the President of our Outdoor Division from 1984 to 1989. Mr. Reilly, our employee since 1978, has also served as General Manager of our Baton Rouge Region and Vice President and General Manager of the Louisiana Region. Mr. Reilly received a B.A. from Harvard University in 1977.

Sean E. Reilly has served as our Chief Executive Officer since February 2011. Prior to becoming Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Reilly had been Chief Operating Officer and President of the Company's Outdoor Division, a position that he had held since November 2001. He began working with the Company as Vice President of Mergers and Acquisitions in 1987 and served in that capacity until 1994. He also served as a director of the Company from 1989 to 1996 and from 1999 until 2003. Mr. Reilly was the Chief Executive Officer of Wireless One, Inc., a wireless cable television company, from 1994 to 1997, after which he rejoined the Company. Mr. Reilly received a B.A. from Harvard University in 1984 and a J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1989.

Keith A. Istre has been Chief Financial Officer of the Company since February 1989. Mr. Istre joined the Company as Controller in 1978 and became Treasurer in 1985. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Istre was employed by a public accounting firm in Baton Rouge from 1975 to 1978. Mr. Istre graduated from the University of Southwestern Louisiana in 1974 with a degree in Accounting.

### **PROPOSAL NO. 1: ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors has fixed the number of directors at seven for the coming year. The Board of Directors, upon recommendation from the Nominating and Governance Committee, has nominated the individuals listed below for election as directors at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 17, 2018, to serve until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors are elected and qualified. Each nominee has consented to being named a nominee in this proxy statement and to serve, if elected, as a director. If any nominee is unable to serve, proxies will be voted for such other candidates as may be nominated by the Board of Directors.

#### **Required Vote**

Directors will be elected by a plurality of the votes cast by the stockholders entitled to vote on this proposal at the meeting. Abstentions, broker non-votes, and votes withheld will not be treated as votes cast for this purpose and will not affect the outcome of the election.

# The Board of Directors recommends that you vote FOR the election of each of the nominees listed below.

#### **Nominees for Director**

The following table contains certain information about the nominees for director as of March 19, 2018, including their business experience, qualifications and other directorships. All of the directors' present terms expire in 2017.

Name and Age	Business Experience During Past Five Years, Other Directorships and Qualifications	Dire Sin
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.	Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. has served as our President since February 1989 and as one of our directors since February 1984. Mr. Reilly also served as our Chief Executive Officer from February 1989 until February 2011. Prior to becoming President and Chief	1984
Age: 63	Executive Officer, Mr. Reilly served as the President of our Outdoor Division from 1984 to 1989. Mr. Reilly, our employee since 1978, has also served as General Manager of our Baton Rouge Region and Vice President and General Manager of the Louisiana Region.	
	Kevin P. Reilly, Jr., with over 35 years of experience at Lamar and 29 years as our President, has unparalleled knowledge of our business and operating history. He is also the managing general partner of our controlling stockholder, the Reilly Family Limited Partnership. The RFLP and members of the Reilly family are permitted holders of our Class B Common Stock, which was put in place in connection with our initial public offering in 1996 to provide for continuity of control over the Company and entitles its holders to ten votes per share. Board representation by members of the Reilly family, which has ties to the Lamar family dating back to 1958, also serves to preserve the principles upon which Lamar was founded.	

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Director Since 1984

#### **Business Experience During Past Five Years**, Name and Age Other Directorships and Qualifications Anna Reilly Anna Reilly serves as Vice Chair of the Board for Helen Simoneau Danse. From 2009-2014, she served on the Asset Age: 54 Development Committee of the Winston Salem Foundation. From 2005-2012, she served on the Board of Visitors for Duke University's Sanford School of Public Policy, during which time she served as the chair of their Developmental Committee for three years. From 2007 to 2012, she served as a Director of the Bethesda Center for the Homeless. From 2001 to 2006, Ms. Reilly served on the Board of Directors of St. Joseph Capital Bank, a public company that is now Old National Bank. During that time, she also served as a trustee of the Stanley Clark School and as a Director of the Community Foundation of St. Joseph County. From 1995 until 2000, Ms. Reilly owned and operated Lula's Café, a restaurant in South Bend, Indiana. Anna Reilly is a general partner of our controlling stockholder, the RFLP, and brings knowledge of our business and operations to the Board. The RFLP and members of the Reilly family are permitted holders of our Class B Common Stock, which was put in place in connection with our initial public offering in 1996 to provide for continuity of control over the Company and entitles its holders to ten votes per share. In addition, Board representation by members of the Reilly family, which has ties to the Lamar family dating back to 1958, also serves to preserve the principles upon which Lamar was founded. Ms. Reilly's background and continued commitment to civic service also provide us with a valuable perspective on local issues, which is important to us due to our focus on local advertising. Wendell Wendell Reilly has been the Managing Partner of Grapevine Partners LLC since 2000, and in 2009, he joined Peachtree Reilly Equity Partners II as a General Partner. Mr. Reilly currently serves as Chairman of Berman Capital Advisors, as Lead Director Age: 60 on the board of Brown and Brown, Inc. and on the investment committee of the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta. He also serves as a Trustee Emeritus of Emory University and Trustee of The Carter Center in Atlanta. He previously served as the Company's Chief Financial Officer from 1985 to 1989 and director from 1999 to 2001. Mr. Reilly also served as CFO of Haas Publishing Companies from 1989 to 1994, CEO of Grapevine Communications, a group of seven network-affiliated TV stations, from 1996 to 2000 and CEO of SignPost Networks from 2003 to 2011. Wendell Reilly, with over 30 years of private equity, entrepreneurial and executive management experience in media and communications, has extensive expertise in our industry from both inside and outside Lamar. He also brings valuable insight

communications, has extensive expertise in our industry from both inside and outside Lamar. He also brings valuable insight into the issues facing our management through his experience as a founder and principal in other media companies. Mr. Reilly is also a general partner of our controlling stockholder, the RFLP. The RFLP and members of the Reilly family are permitted holders of our Class B Common Stock, which was put in place in connection with our initial public offering in 1996 to provide continuity of control over the Company and entitles its holders to ten votes per share. In addition, Board representation by members of the Reilly family, which has ties to the Lamar family dating back to 1958, also serves to preserve the principles upon which Lamar was founded.

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Director Since 2001

#### **Business Experience During Past Five Years**, Director Name and Age Other Directorships and Qualifications Since Stephen P. Stephen P. Mumblow is the President and Owner of Manhan Media, Inc., Deerfield Media, Inc. and the Deerfield Media group 1999 Mumblow of companies, which own and operate television stations in nine mid-size U.S. television markets and engage in the production Age: 62 and distribution of sports related programming in the United States. Until January 2002, Mr. Mumblow was the President and a Director of Communications Corporation of America, a television and radio broadcasting company, having joined that company in 1998. Mr. Mumblow was a Managing Director of Chase Securities, Inc., an investment banking firm, from March 1988 to August 1998. Prior to that, he was a Vice President of Michigan Energy Resources Company, an intrastate natural gas utility company and cable television and broadcasting concern, and Citibank, N.A., a commercial bank. Mr. Mumblow brings to the Board experience in advertising and marketing trends based upon his ownership of Manhan Media and Deerfield Media. He also has extensive banking expertise, including with respect to the financing of a wide range of media enterprises and merger and acquisition activity within the media industry. He has also gained valuable expertise both operating and serving on the boards of businesses in the television, radio and newspaper industries, experience which provides him with insight into the Company's competitive and strategic landscape. His financial acumen and experience, including qualification as an Audit Committee Financial Expert, provides our Board with valuable skills and a strong background in financial reporting and balance sheet management. Thomas V. 2000 Thomas V. Reifenheiser was a Managing Director and Group Executive for the Global Media and Telecom Group of Chase Reifenheiser Securities Inc., an investment banking firm, from 1995 to 2000. He joined Chase in 1963 and was the Global Media and Age: 82 Telecom Group Executive since 1977. He has served as a director of Cablevision Systems Corporation, Mediacom Communications Corporation, F+W Publications Inc. and Citadel Broadcasting Corporation. Mr. Reifenheiser possesses expertise in the finance and banking sector with a specialization in the media industry. His extensive experience serving on corporate boards makes him an invaluable resource on matters of corporate governance, executive compensation, effective board oversight and strategic planning. Mr. Reifenheiser's vast experience in the broadcasting and publishing industries provides strategic perspective and insight into our industry. His service on our Board also provides us with additional financial expertise.

<u>Name and Age</u> John E. Koerner, III Age: 75	Business Experience During Past Five Years, Other Directorships and Qualifications John E. Koerner, III has been the managing member of Koerner Capital, LLC, a private investment company, or the President of its predecessor, Koerner Capital Corporation, since 1995. From 1976 to 1995, Mr. Koerner was President and co-owner of Barq's, Inc. and its subsidiary, The Delaware Punch Company. Mr. Koerner is a member of a number of civic boards including The Nature Conservancy of Louisiana and the World War II Museum. He served as Chairman of the New Orleans Regional Chamber of Commerce for 1995, was a past Co-Chairman of Metrovision, and was the 2002—2003 Chairman of the New Orleans Business Council. He serves on a number of business boards including IBERIABANK Corporation and Geocent, LLC. Mr. Koerner served on the board of Legg Mason, Inc. until July 2014.	Director <u>Since</u> 2007
	Mr. Koerner has extensive experience in corporate finance, the management of capital intensive organizations, and capital markets. Through his service on other boards, Mr. Koerner also has experience with a broad range of corporate governance matters. Mr. Koerner's background and civic board service also provide us with a valuable link to our community, which is important to us because of our focus on local advertising.	
Marshall A. Loeb Age: 55	Marshall A. Loeb is the President, Chief Executive Officer and a director of EastGroup Properties, Inc., a self- administered equity real estate investment trust (REIT) focused on the development, acquisition and operation of industrial properties. He previously served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Glimcher Realty Trust from 2005 to 2015. From 2000 to 2005, he served as Chief Financial Officer of Parkway Properties, Inc.	_
	Mr. Loeb has more than 25 years of experience with publicly held REITS. He possesses extensive expertise in the real estate industry and in finance. His experience serving in a variety of executive roles at other REITs will provide us with an invaluable strategic perspective.	

# **Family Relationships**

Kevin P. Reilly, Jr., our Chairman of the Board and President, Sean E. Reilly, our Chief Executive Officer, and our directors Anna Reilly and Wendell Reilly are siblings. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr., Anna Reilly and Wendell Reilly are also nominees for director at the Annual Meeting.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES**

During the year ended December 31, 2017, our Board of Directors held five meetings. Each of our directors attended at least 75% of the aggregate of the total number of meetings of our Board and the total number of meetings of our Board's committee meetings for the committee(s) on which that director served. The Board has standing Audit, Compensation and Nominating and Governance Committees. During the year ended December 31, 2017, the Audit Committee held six meetings, the Compensation Committee held five meetings, and the Nominating and Governance Committee held three meetings. We encourage, but do not require, our Board members to attend the Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Last year, all of our directors attended the Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

*Leadership Structure.* Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. currently serves as our Chairman of the Board, and Sean E. Reilly serves as our Chief Executive Officer. The Board does not have a policy regarding the separation of the roles of Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, as the Board believes it is in our best interests to make this determination based on an assessment of the current condition of our Company and composition of the Board. The Board has determined that having a member of senior management serve as Chairman of the Board is in the best interests of our stockholders at this time. This structure makes the best use of management's extensive knowledge of the Company and our industry, as well as fostering greater communication between management and the Board.

*Director Independence.* The Board has determined that Messrs. Hamilton, Koerner, Mumblow and Reifenheiser are "independent directors" as defined in the Nasdaq Stock Market listing standards, based on information known to the Company and on the annual questionnaire completed by each director.

*Meetings in Executive Session.* Our independent directors have regularly scheduled meetings at which only independent directors are present. During 2017, the independent directors met in executive session on two occasions.

*Risk Oversight*. As part of its charter, the Board is responsible for monitoring the risks that affect the Company, including operational, legal, regulatory, strategic and reputational risks. As part of routine Board meetings, management presents the Board with updates regarding key facets of the Company's operations. The Board is responsible for assessing risks based on their working knowledge of the Company and the risks inherent in its business. As discussed below, the Audit Committee is responsible for monitoring the Company's financial risk.

Audit Committee. The Audit Committee currently consists of Stephen P. Mumblow (Chair), Thomas V. Reifenheiser and John E. Koerner, III. Our Board of Directors has determined that each member of the Audit Committee satisfies the independence and financial literacy requirements as defined by applicable Nasdaq Stock Market listing standards governing the qualifications of Audit Committee members. Stephen P. Mumblow qualifies as an "audit committee financial expert" under the rules of the SEC and satisfies the financial sophistication requirements under applicable Nasdaq Stock Market listing qualifications. The Audit Committee assists our Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibility for general oversight over the integrity of our financial statements, including compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the independent registered public accounting firm's qualifications and independence, and the performance of our internal audit function. The Audit Committee is also responsible for the appointment (and when appropriate, replacement) and oversight of our independent registered public accounting firm and our internal auditor. The Audit Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board of Directors. The Audit Committee has been delegated by the Board the responsibility of monitoring the Company's financial risks. Any material financial risks identified by the Audit Committee are reported to the full Board.

*Compensation Committee.* The Compensation Committee currently consists of Thomas V. Reifenheiser (Chair), John Maxwell Hamilton and Stephen P. Mumblow, all of whom our Board has determined are independent directors under the listing standards of the Nasdaq Stock Market governing the independence of directors. The Compensation Committee's responsibilities include evaluating the performance of the Chief Executive Officer and our other executive officers and reviewing and determining such officers' cash and equity-based compensation and benefits. The Compensation Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board of Directors. For additional information regarding the Compensation Committee's role in setting compensation, delegation of their authority and our use of compensation consultants, please see the Compensation Discussion and Analysis section of this proxy statement, which begins on page 16.

*Nominating and Governance Committee.* The Nominating and Governance Committee currently consists of John E. Koerner, III (Chair), Thomas V. Reifenheiser, John Maxwell Hamilton and Stephen P. Mumblow, all of whom our Board has determined are independent directors under the listing standards of the Nasdaq Stock Market governing the independence of directors. The Nominating and Governance Committee's responsibilities include identifying individuals qualified to become Board members and recommending to the Board the director nominees for the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders, as well as candidates to fill vacancies on the Board. Additionally, the Nominating and Governance Committee recommends to the Board the directors to be appointed to Board committees. The Nominating and Governance Committee also developed and recommended to the Board a set of corporate governance guidelines and oversees the effectiveness of our corporate governance in accordance with those guidelines. The Nominating and Governance Committee operates under a written charter adopted by the Board of Directors.

Mr. Marshall Loeb is the only nominee for director proposed to be elected at the Annual Meeting who is not currently serving as a director of the Company. In 2017, the Nominating and Governance Committee engaged Ferguson Partners Ltd. ("Ferguson Partners") to assist it in identifying potential director candidates, which resulted in the introduction between Mr. Loeb and the Nominating and Governance Committee.

To assist in identifying director candidates in the future, the Nominating and Governance Committee may engage the services of third party firms, including Ferguson Partners. The Nominating and Governance Committee also considers director candidates suggested by members of the Nominating and Governance Committee, other directors, management and shareholders. The process followed by the Nominating and Governance Committee to evaluate director candidates, including those introduced to the Nominating and Governance Committee by Ferguson Partners, includes evaluating biographical information and background materials relating to potential candidates and interviewing (with Board members) selected candidates.

In considering whether to recommend any candidate for inclusion in the Board's slate of director nominees, the Nominating and Governance Committee will evaluate the candidate against the standards and qualifications set out in the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines, including, among others:

- the extent to which the candidate's skills, experience, and perspective adds to the range of talent appropriate for the Board and whether such attributes are relevant to our industry;
- the candidate's ability to dedicate the time and resources sufficient for the diligent performance of Board duties;
- whether the candidate meets the independence requirements under applicable Nasdaq Stock Market listing standards; and
- the extent to which the candidate holds any position that would conflict with responsibilities to the Company.

The Nominating and Governance Committee believes that the backgrounds and qualifications of the directors, considered as a group, should provide a significant composite mix of experience, knowledge, and abilities that will allow the Board to fulfill its responsibilities.

The Nominating and Governance Committee and the Board do not have a formal diversity policy. In identifying nominees for director, however, consideration is given to the diversity of professional experience, education and backgrounds among the directors so that a variety of points of view are represented in Board discussions and deliberations concerning our business.

Stockholders may recommend candidates for the Nominating and Governance Committee to consider as potential director nominees by submitting names, biographical information, and background materials to the Nominating and Governance Committee, c/o General Counsel, Lamar Advertising Company, 5321 Corporate Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808. The Nominating and Governance Committee will consider a recommendation only if appropriate biographical information and background material is provided on a timely basis as further described in the Nominating and Governance Committee's charter. See "Board of Directors and Committees—Committee Charters" below. Assuming that appropriate biographical and background material is provided for candidates recommended by stockholders, the Nominating and Governance Committee will evaluate those candidates by following substantially the same process, and applying substantially the same criteria used for candidates submitted by Board members. The Nominating and Governance Committee will also consider whether to nominate any person nominated by a stockholder in accordance with the provisions of the Company's bylaws relating to stockholder nominations as described in "Deadline for Stockholder Proposals and Director Nominations" below. To date, no stockholder has recommended a candidate for director nominee to the Nominating and Governance Committee or to the Board of Directors.

*Committee Charters.* You may view copies of the charters of the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee, and the Nominating and Governance Committee, as currently in effect, on the corporate governance section of our website, www.lamar.com.

## CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

#### **Related Person Transactions**

Ross L. Reilly is the son of Kevin P. Reilly, Jr., our Chairman of the Board and President and nominee for director, and the nephew of Sean Reilly, our Chief Executive Officer, and our directors and director nominees Wendell and Anna Reilly. Ross is employed as a General Manager of the Company. In connection with his employment during 2017, Ross received aggregate compensation of approximately \$160,164, including his base salary and bonus. He is also eligible to participate in customary employee benefit programs for his position.

#### **Policy on Related Person Transactions**

Related persons include any of our directors or executive officers, certain of our stockholders and their immediate family members. A conflict of interest may occur when an individual's private interest interferes, or appears to interfere, in any way with the interests of the Company. Our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics requires all directors, officers and employees to disclose to management any

situations that may be, or appear to be, a conflict of interest. Once management receives notice of a conflict of interest, they will review and investigate the relevant facts and will then generally consult with our General Counsel and the Audit Committee as appropriate.

Under the Audit Committee's charter, the Audit Committee is responsible for reviewing and pre-approving any related party transactions. Copies of our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and of our Audit Committee charter are available on our website at www.lamar.com.

In addition to the reporting requirements under the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, each year our directors and executive officers complete questionnaires identifying any transactions with us in which the executive officers or directors or any immediate family members have an interest. Any such transactions or other related party transactions are reviewed and brought to the attention of the Audit Committee as appropriate.

#### **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

The Compensation Committee currently consists of Thomas V. Reifenheiser (Chair), John Maxwell Hamilton, and Stephen P. Mumblow. None of our executive officers serves as a member of the board of directors or compensation committee of any other company that has one or more executive officers serving as a member of our Board of Directors or Compensation Committee.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

#### **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

Our Compensation Committee (the "Committee") has responsibility for establishing, implementing and maintaining the compensation program for our executive officers. For the year ended December 31, 2017, our executive officers consisted of our Chairman of the Board and President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, who are also referred to herein as the "named executive officers." This Compensation Discussion and Analysis sets forth the objectives and material elements of the compensation paid to our named executive officers for fiscal 2017.

#### **Executive Compensation Philosophy**

The primary objective of our executive compensation program is to retain and reward executive officers who contribute to our long-term success. We believe this requires a competitive compensation structure both as compared to similarly situated companies in the media industry and other companies that are our peers in terms of annual revenues. Additionally, we seek to align a significant portion of executive officer compensation to the achievement of specified Company performance goals. Incentive cash bonuses are included to drive executive performance by having pay at risk so that a significant portion of potential cash compensation is tied to goal achievement. We also include performance-based equity grants as a significant component of prospective executive compensation so that the value of a portion of executive compensation is tied directly to the performance of our Class A Common Stock. In addition, discretionary bonuses may be made to executive officers based upon accomplishments outside the scope of the performance metrics used in the Company's incentive programs.

### Use of Compensation Consultants and Peer Group Data

The Committee did not consult with any compensation consultants in conjunction with its executive officer compensation determinations for fiscal 2017. The Committee did not set executive officer compensation to a specific percentile of the range of total compensation represented by a specified peer group when making its executive compensation determinations for fiscal 2017.

#### Material Elements of Executive Officer Compensation

The key elements of compensation for our executive officers are base salaries, performance-based cash incentive awards and performance-based equity awards. Executives may also participate, on the same terms as all other employees, in a 401(k) retirement savings plan and health and welfare benefits.

*Base Salary*. We pay a base salary to each of our named executive officers. The objective of base salary is to provide a fixed component of cash compensation to the executive that reflects the level of responsibility associated with the executive's position and is competitive with the base compensation the executive could earn in a similar position at comparable companies. Base salary for our named executive officers is reviewed annually in light of market compensation, tenure, individual performance, Company performance and other subjective considerations. Typically, our Chairman of the Board and President makes recommendations to the Committee with regard to base salary for the executive officers that he believes are justified in light of these considerations.

In March 2017, the Committee reviewed current base salaries in conjunction with our Chairman of the Board and President. The Committee reviewed the roles and responsibilities of each executive officer and determined that no changes were warranted.

*Performance-Based Incentive Compensation.* The Company's incentive compensation program consists of two types of awards that are granted under the Company's 1996 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended: (i) a performance-based incentive cash bonus and (ii) a performance-based incentive equity award. This compensation program was designed by the Committee to link a significant portion of overall executive officer compensation to the achievement of enumerated performance targets. By including a fixed share equity award as a significant portion of executive compensation, the aggregate value of each executive officer's compensation is dependent on the performance of the Company's Class A Common Stock.

*Incentive Cash Bonus.* The Committee sets target amounts for incentive cash bonuses for each of the named executive officers with corresponding performance goals. The Committee reviews those target amounts annually based the executive's roles and responsibilities, the Company's performance, and the current economic environment. The Committee determined that the 2017 target incentive cash bonus of the Chairman of the Board and President, the Chief Executive Officer, and the Chief Financial Officer, would remain unchanged at \$250,000, \$400,000, and \$300,000, respectively. The Committee then approved the performance goals for 2017 pursuant to which any payout of incentive cash bonus awards would be based. The Committee also continued its practice of providing the possibility of higher payouts that provide incentives for superior performance above the 100% targeted levels of achievement, which can result in an incentive cash bonus in an amount that is up to 200% of the target amount.

When setting the performance goals for the executive officers' incentive cash bonuses for fiscal 2017, the Committee met with management to review current operating budgets and financial projections along with any current initiatives that could impact the Company's anticipated 2017 results. The Committee determined that the Company's pro forma net revenue growth and pro forma earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization and adjusted for gain or loss on disposition of assets and investments (referred to in this proxy statement as "EBITDA") growth continue to be the appropriate measures on which to base incentive compensation as these measures are the primary measures used by both management and the investor community to evaluate the Company's performance.

The Committee's goal when determining the specific performance thresholds is to set target (100%) goal achievement at a challenging but achievable level based on the 2017 operating budget in order to provide appropriate incentives for management in the context of the current fiscal year's projected results and current business plan. To align the Company's performance and the level of award achievement, the Committee maintained a 65% threshold for minimum achievement of both cash incentive and equity incentive awards. The 2017 performance goals for incentive cash bonuses were based on achievement of pro forma revenue growth and pro forma EBITDA growth for fiscal 2017 over fiscal 2016 with 50% of the total bonus amount tied to each metric. Tables setting forth the actual performance thresholds for fiscal 2017 are set forth below on pages 20 and 21.

Following this review, the Committee certified that the Company's pro forma net revenue growth and EBITDA growth fell below the minimum threshold for achievement by the named executive officers of performance-based cash incentive awards for fiscal 2017. Therefore, the named executive officers did not receive performance-based cash incentive bonuses in respect of 2017 performance.

### **Incentive Cash Bonus**

		2017 Awards	
	Portion (50%) Based on Pro Forma Net Revenue Growth (\$)	Portion (50%) Based on Pro Forma EBITDA Growth (\$)	Total (\$)
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. Chairman of the Board and President	0	0	0
Sean E. Reilly Chief Executive Officer	0	0	0
Keith A. Istre Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer	0	0	0

*Incentive Equity Awards.* The Committee also determined the target amount of incentive equity awards for each of the named executive officers at its March 2017 meeting. These target equity award amounts were set at 44,000 shares of Class A Common Stock for both Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. and Sean E. Reilly, which amounts have remained unchanged since 2006. Keith A. Istre's target equity incentive award of 34,000 shares of Class A Common Stock was also held constant. The Committee reaffirmed its belief that fixed share amounts provided appropriate incentives and alignment with interests of stockholders.

Under the terms of the Company's incentive equity award program, no shares of stock are issued unless and until the relevant performance goals have been met and certified by the Committee. Any earned shares are issued as soon as practicable following such certification and are fully vested at the time of issuance. The Committee feels that the use of stock awards as a part of its compensation program aligns executive compensation to the creation of stockholder value but not to such an extent that it would create incentives for executives to focus solely on short-term stock appreciation to the exclusion of long-term strategy.

The pro forma revenue growth and pro forma EBITDA growth metrics for fiscal 2017 over fiscal 2016 used in the context of the incentive cash awards were used to determine the achievement of incentive equity awards. Unlike incentive cash awards, there is no opportunity to achieve greater than 100% of the target equity awards.

The Company's proforma net revenue growth and proforma EBITDA fell below the minimum threshold for achievement by the named executive officers of performance-based cash incentive awards for fiscal 2017. Therefore, the named executive officers did not receive performance-based equity incentive awards in respect of 2017 performance. However, the Committee did make discretionary equity awards to the named executive officers in respect of their contributions to the Company during fiscal 2017, see the Discretionary Equity Awards section of this proxy statement, which is on page 22.

# **Incentive Equity Awards**

	Portion (50%) Based on Pro Forma Net Revenue Growth (#)	2017 Awards Portion (50%) Based on Pro Forma EBITDA Growth (#)	Total Shares Class A Common Stock (#)
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. Chairman of the Board and President	0	0	0
Sean E. Reilly Chief Executive Officer	0	0	0
Keith A. Istre Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer	0	0	0

The tables that follow set forth the level of pro forma net revenue and pro forma EBITDA growth required for fiscal 2017 over fiscal 2016 to achieve the stated percentage of target incentive awards for our named executive officers, as set by the Committee in March 2017. These goals relate to achievement of both incentive cash and incentive equity awards, except that equity awards cannot exceed their target amount irrespective of goal achievement in excess of the 100% level.

# 2017 POTENTIAL INCENTIVE AWARDS\* Pro Forma Net Revenue Growth (1) – 50%

Incentive Cas		Incentive Equity Award				
Pro Forma Net Revenue Growth	Percentage of Target Bonus Earned	Pro Forma Net Revenue Growth	Percentage of Target Bonus Earned			
Less than 1.6%	0%	Less than 1.6%	0%			
At least 1.6% but	65%	At least 1.6% but	65%			
less than 1.7%		less than 1.7%				
At least 1.7% but	70%	At least 1.7% but	70%			
less than 1.8%		less than 1.8%				
At least 1.8% but	75%	At least 1.8% but	75%			
less than 1.9%		less than 1.9%				
At least 1.9% but	80%	At least 1.9% but	80%			
less than 2.0%		less than 2.0%				
At least 2.0% but	85%	At least 2.0% but	85%			
less than 2.2%		less than 2.2%				
At least 2.2% but	90%	At least 2.2% but	90%			
less than 2.3%		less than 2.3%				
At least 2.3% but	95%	At least 2.3% but	95%			
less than 2.4%		less than 2.4%				
At least 2.4% but	100%	At least 2.4%	100%			
less than 4.0%		or greater				
At least 4.0% but	125%					
less than 4.5%						
At least 4.5% but	150%					
less than 5.0%						
At least 5.0% but	175%					
less than 5.5%						
At least 5.5%	200%					
or greater						
less than 2.4% At least 2.4% but less than 4.0% At least 4.0% but less than 4.5% At least 4.5% but less than 5.0% At least 5.0% but less than 5.5% At least 5.5%	100% 125% 150% 175%	less than 2.4% At least 2.4%				

\* None of the named executive officers achieved the minimum threshold for 2017.

(1) Pro forma net revenue growth is based on the Company's net revenue growth in 2017 over 2016 based on actual 2017 net revenue versus 2016 net revenue, as adjusted to reflect acquisitions and divestitures for the same time frame as actually owned in 2017.

# 2017 POTENTIAL INCENTIVE AWARDS\* Pro Forma EBITDA Growth (1) – 50%

Incentive Cas	h Bonus	Incentive Equity Award			
Pro Forma EBITDA Growth	Percentage of Target Bonus Earned	Pro Forma EBITDA Growth	Percentage of Target Bonus Earned		
Less than 1.4%	0%	Less than 1.4%	0%		
At least 1.4% but	65%	At least 1.4% but	65%		
less than 1.5%		less than 1.5%			
At least 1.5% but	70%	At least 1.5% but	70%		
less than 1.7%		less than 1.7%			
At least 1.7% but	75%	At least 1.7% but	75%		
less than 1.8%		less than 1.8%			
At least 1.8% but	80%	At least 1.8% but	80%		
less than 1.9%		less than 1.9%			
At least 1.9% but	85%	At least 1.9% but	85%		
less than 2.0%		less than 2.0%			
At least 2.0% but	90%	At least 2.0% but	90%		
less than 2.1%		less than 2.1%			
At least 2.1% but	95%	At least 2.1% but	95%		
less than 2.2%		less than 2.2%			
At least 2.2% but	100%	At least 2.2%	100%		
less than 4.0%		or greater			
At least 4.0% but	125%				
less than 4.5%					
At least 4.5% but	150%				
less than 5.0%					
At least 5.0% but	175%				
less than 5.5%					
At least 5.5%	200%				
or greater					

\* None of the named executive officers achieved the minimum threshold for 2017.

(1) Pro forma EBITDA growth is calculated in the same manner as pro forma net revenue growth with adjustments being made in the 2016 period to reflect acquisitions and divestitures for the same time frame as actually owned in 2017 and is also adjusted, solely with respect to calculation of incentive cash bonuses, to eliminate any expense in the period related to executive bonuses.

#### Consideration of Prior Stockholder Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation

At the Company's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, more than 96% of shares present at the meeting for purposes of the proposal were voted to approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in the proxy statement for that meeting, thus ratifying our compensation philosophy and approach. Our Board of Directors and the Committee considered this overwhelming support, as well as our past operating performance, in making the determination that the fundamental characteristics of our executive compensation program should remain. The next advisory stockholder vote on executive compensation is scheduled to be held at the 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

#### **Other Compensation Components**

*Discretionary Equity Awards*. The Company's incentive compensation program permits the Committee to grant discretionary equity awards under the Company's 1996 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, that are not subject to achievement of performance criteria. On February 26, 2018, the Committee approved discretionary grants of 11,333 shares to Mr. Istre and 14,667 shares to each of Mr. Sean E. Reilly and Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. in recognition of their contributions to the Company in 2017. See footnote 5 of the 2017 Summary Compensation Table on page 25 of this proxy statement for additional information regarding the discretionary equity awards.

*Perquisites.* We provide certain perquisites to our executive officers, including use of the Company's aircraft and a Company car. Our executive officers are entitled to use our Company aircraft, including for personal travel. These perquisites provide flexibility to the executives and increase travel efficiencies, allowing more productive use of executive time. More detail on these perquisites and other perquisites provided to our executive officers may be found in the 2017 Summary Compensation Table.

*Deferred Compensation*. The Company has a deferred compensation plan for certain officers. Under this plan, officers who meet certain years of service and other criteria are eligible to receive Company contributions into their accounts in the Lamar Deferred Compensation Plan. Officers do not have the option of deferring any portion of their earned cash compensation through additional voluntary contributions to the plan.

The deferred compensation plan is not funded by us, and participants have an unsecured contractual commitment from us to pay the amounts due under the deferred compensation plan. When payments under the plan are due, the funds are distributed from our general assets. The Company does not offer preferential earnings on deferred compensation. Deferred compensation is intended as a long-term savings vehicle for our officers in light of the fact that the Company does not offer any traditional pension or defined benefit plan. The Committee does not consider deferred compensation accounts when setting executive pay levels, since this represents compensation that has previously been earned and individual accounts are a function of personal investment choices and market-based earnings.

#### **Tax Implications**

The Committee awards compensation to our executive officers as it deems appropriate to meet our overall compensation objectives, even though it may not be fully deductible for the purposes of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). In general, Section 162(m), prevents publicly held corporations from deducting, for federal income tax purposes, compensation paid in excess of \$1,000,000 to certain executives. Historically, this deduction limitation did not apply, however, to compensation that constitutes "qualified performance-based compensation" within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017, the exemption from Section 162(m)'s deduction limit for performance-based compensation has been repealed by legislation known as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, such that compensation paid to our named executive officers that is in excess of \$1,000,000 will not be deductible by the Company unless it qualifies for transition relief applicable to certain arrangements in place as of November 2, 2017 and not modified thereafter. Subject to the overall compensation objectives of the Company, the Committee intends to administer any awards granted prior to November 2, 2017 which qualify as "performance-based compensation" under § 162(m) of the Code, as amended by the Act, in accordance with the transition rules applicable to binding contracts in effect on November 2, 2017.

#### Payments Upon Termination or Change-in-Control

We do not have employment agreements or other agreements with any of our executive officers that entitle them to payments upon termination or in the event of a change-in-control.

#### Compensation Policies and Practices as they Relate to Risk Management

Our management has reviewed its compensation policies and practices in conjunction with the Committee to determine if these policies and practices create risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company. The Company's basic compensation structure, as described above, includes base salaries, incentive cash bonuses and, for officers of the Company (including certain non-executive officers), incentive equity compensation that primarily consists of annual performance-based equity awards. In light of this review of the compensation structure and its mix of both fixed and variable compensation, the Company concluded that there are no risks arising from our compensation policies and practices for our employees that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company.

## **Compensation Committee Report**

The Compensation Committee has reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis with management. Based on this review and discussion, the Compensation Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this proxy statement, for the year ended December 31, 2017, for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

By the Compensation Committee,

Thomas V. Reifenheiser *(Chair)* John Maxwell Hamilton Stephen P. Mumblow

#### 2017 Summary Compensation Table

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The following table sets forth certain compensation information for our named executive officers. The table reflects each officer's position as of December 31, 2017.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Stock Awards (\$)(1)	Option Awards _(\$)(1)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)(2)	All Other Compensation (\$)(3)(4)	Total (\$)
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.	2017	100,000		3,331,680(5)			280,243	3,711,923
Chairman of the Board and President	2016	100,000	—	2,636,040(6)	—	250,000	128,374	3,114,414
	2015	100,000	—	2,546,720(7)	—	306,250	178,762	3,131,732
Sean E. Reilly	2017	700,000	—	3,331,680(5)	—		385,119	4,416,799
Chief Executive Officer	2016	700,000	_	2,636,040(6)		400,000	434,211	4,170,251
	2015	700,000	_	2,546,720(7)	_	490,000	319,386	4,056,106
Keith A. Istre	2017	500,000	—	2,574,480(5)	—		52,500	3,126,980
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer	2016	500,000	—	2,036,940(6)	—	300,000	52,500	2,889,440
	2015	500,000		1,967,920(7)		367,500	53,000	2,888,420

- (1) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value recognized for financial statement reporting purposes in accordance with ASC Topic 718. With respect to performance-based stock awards, the grant date fair value is calculated assuming the probable outcome of achievement, which on the grant date was expected to be 100% of the target equity incentive award amount, rather than the value of the actual award earned on the date when issued to the officer. For the assumptions underlying the valuation of these awards see Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, filed with the SEC on February 27, 2018.
- (2) Amounts shown in the "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" column reflect the incentive cash awards granted at the beginning of each year, earned based on performance during that fiscal year and paid in the following fiscal year. The 2017 awards are described in further detail under the headings "Performance-Based Incentive Compensation" and "Incentive Cash Bonus" in the Compensation Discussion and Analysis and are also reflected in the table "Grants of Plan-Based Awards in Fiscal Year 2017" under the column "Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards."
- (3) Includes \$202,893, \$51,879, and \$101,427 for Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. and \$323,903, \$375,894, and \$258,312 for Mr. Sean E. Reilly for the personal use of Company aircraft in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, as further described below. The amounts included in the "All Other Compensation" column also include the following perquisites provided to our named executive officers (except as otherwise indicated), which are valued at the Company's incremental cost, none of which individually exceeded \$25,000: (a) personal use of a Company car, (b) Company-paid health insurance premiums and medical reimbursements, (c) personal use of a Company-owned recreational facility by Mr. Sean E. Reilly and Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. and (d) Company-paid premiums for term life insurance for Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. Executives also have access to a country club at which the Company has a membership, but each executive pays all fees related to such personal use, resulting in no additional incremental cost to the Company.

The Company's incremental cost for personal use of the corporate aircraft is based on the incremental cost to the Company calculated based on the variable costs, related to the number of flight hours used, including fuel costs, landing/ramp fees, trip-related maintenance, crew travel expenses, supplies and catering, aircraft accrual expenses per hour of flight, any customs and foreign permit or similar fees. Our fixed costs that do not change based on usage, such as pilot salaries and the cost of maintenance not related to trips are excluded. The incremental cost to the Company for personal use of a Company car is calculated as a portion of the annual lease, mileage and fuel attributable to the personal use.

- (4) Also includes employer contributions under the Company's deferred compensation plan of \$50,000 for each of Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr., Mr. Sean E. Reilly and Mr. Istre for 2017, 2016 and 2015.
- (5) No shares were earned based on achievement of performance goals for fiscal 2017 for each of Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr., Mr. Sean E. Reilly and Mr. Istre. On February 26, 2018, the Compensation Committee approved discretionary stock grants to each of Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr., Mr. Sean E. Reilly and Mr. Istre for their 2017 contributions. The discretionary grant to Mr. Istre was made on the date of the date of grant, and the ASC Topic 718 value of the

discretionary shares awarded to Mr. Istre was \$823,229. The discretionary grants to Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. and Mr. Sean E. Reilly were made on March 9, 2018, after the receipt of necessary approvals under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, and the ASC Topic 718 value of the discretionary shares awarded to each of Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. and Mr. Sean E. Reilly was \$977,555.

- (6) The ASC Topic 718 value of the shares actually earned based on achievement of performance goals for fiscal 2016, which awards were certified as earned by the Compensation Committee and issued on February 20, 2017, was \$3,436,400 for each of Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. and Mr. Sean E. Reilly and \$2,655,400 for Mr. Istre.
- (7) The ASC Topic 718 value of the shares actually earned based on achievement of performance goals for fiscal 2015, which awards were certified as earned by the Compensation Committee and issued on February 23, 2016, was \$2,446,587 for each of Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. and Mr. Sean E. Reilly and \$1,890,545 for Mr. Istre.

#### Grants of Plan-Based Awards in Fiscal Year 2017

			Future Payo Juity Incentiv Awards(1)			ted Future quity Incen Awards(2)	tive Plan	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option
Name	Grant Date	Threshold (\$)	Target (\$)	Maximum (\$)	Threshold (#)	Target (#)	Maximum (#)	Awards (\$) (3)
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.	3/10/2017	162,500	250,000	500,000	28,600	44,000	44,000	3,331,680
Sean E. Reilly	3/10/2017	260,000	400,000	800,000	28,600	44,000	44,000	3,331,680
Keith A. Istre	3/10/2017	195,000	300,000	600,000	22,100	34,000	34,000	2,574,480

(1) Represents the possible cash bonus granted under our 1996 Equity Incentive Plan that could be earned by achieving defined performance goals. Threshold amount assumes minimum attainment of both EBITDA and revenue levels to receive payment.

(2) These awards constitute possible shares of our Class A Common Stock issuable upon achievement of defined performance goals under our 1996 Equity Incentive Plan. Threshold amount assumes minimum attainment of both EBITDA and revenue levels to receive payment.

(3) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value in accordance with ASC Topic 718 assuming the probable outcome of achievement, which on the grant date was expected to be 100% of the target equity incentive award amount, rather than the value of the actual award earned on the date when issued to the officer. For the assumptions underlying the valuation of these awards see Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, filed with the SEC on February 27, 2018.

#### **Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End 2017**

	Option Awards				
Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.	100,000(1)	0(1)	42.21	1/24/2023	
Sean E. Reilly	100,000(1)	0(1)	42.21	1/24/2023	
Keith A. Istre	50,000(1)	0(1)	42.21	1/24/2023	

(1) Granted on January 24, 2013. 20% of the award vested immediately upon grant, and an additional 20% vested on the next four anniversaries of the grant date.

#### **Option Exercises and Stock Vested in Fiscal Year 2017**

	Option Awards		Stock Awards		
Name	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)	Value Realized on Exercise (\$)(1)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting (#)	Value Realized on Vesting (\$)	
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.					
Sean E. Reilly	—	—	—		
Keith A. Istre	25,000	881,470.00	—	—	

(1) Calculated as the product of (a) the number of shares of Class A Common Stock for which the stock options were exercised and (b) the excess of the closing price of our Class A Common Stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on the date of the exercise over the applicable exercise price per share of the stock options.

#### **Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation for Fiscal Year 2017**

Name	Registrant Contributions in Last FY (\$)(1)	Aggregate Earnings (Loss) in Last FY (\$)(2)	Aggregate Balance at Last FYE (\$)(3)
Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.	50,000	631,295	5,690,235
Sean E. Reilly	50,000	243,110	1,495,091
Keith A. Istre	50,000	67,359	988,400

- (1) Amounts in this column are included in the "All Other Compensation" column in the 2017 Summary Compensation Table.
- (2) Amounts in this column are not included in the 2017 Summary Compensation Table because they were not preferential or above market.
  (3) This column includes amounts in each named executive officer's total deferred compensation account as of the last day of fiscal 2017, which includes (i) the following total contributions reported in each of the Company's previous proxies: Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr., \$961,500; Mr. Sean E. Reilly, \$665,000; and Mr. Keith A. Istre, \$611,500; and (ii) aggregate earnings on all previously contributed amounts. This column does not include contributions for each officer for the 2017 FY, which were made in January 2018 and reported in the first column.

The Company sponsors a deferred compensation plan for the benefit of certain of its board-elected officers who meet specific age, years of service and other criteria. Officers that have attained the age of 30, have a minimum of 10 years of service and satisfy additional eligibility guidelines are eligible for annual Company contributions to the plan, depending on the employee's length of service. The Company's contributions to the plan are maintained in a rabbi trust. Upon termination, death or disability, participating employees are eligible to receive an amount equal to the fair market value of the assets in the employee's deferred compensation account either in a lump sum distribution or in twenty percent installments over a five-year period.

### Pay Ratio

Pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, the SEC adopted a rule requiring public companies to annually disclose the pay ratio between the Company's median employee's annual total compensation and the total compensation of the principal executive officer. The Company's principal executive officer is Mr. Sean E. Reilly, its Chief Executive Officer.

For 2017, the Company's last completed fiscal year:

- the annual total compensation of the median of all Company employees (other than its Chief Executive Officer) was \$55,532.
- the annual total compensation of its Chief Executive Officer, as reported in the Summary Compensation Table on page 25 of this Proxy Statement, was \$4,416,799.

Based on this information, for 2017 the ratio of the annual total compensation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer to the annual total compensation of our median employee, as required to be reported pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K, was 79.5 to 1.

The annual total compensation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer as reported above is the amount reported in the Summary Compensation Table. As detailed in footnote 1 to the Summary Compensation Table, this amount includes the aggregate grant date fair value of a performance-based stock award assuming the probable outcome of achievement of performance targets, but does not reflect the actual performance-based stock award earned by the Company's Chief Executive Officer. The actual total compensation received by the Company's Chief Executive Officer in respect of 2017 performance was \$2,062,674, which reflects the amounts reported in the Summary Compensation Table (excluding the \$3,331,680 grant date fair value of a performance-based stock award which was not received), plus \$977,555, which is the grant date fair value of a discretionary stock award received by the Company's Chief Executive Officer in respect of 2017 performance (as disclosed in footnote 5 to the Summary Compensation Table). The ratio of the annual total compensation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer to the annual total compensation of its median employee, as adjusted to reflect the compensation actually received, was 37.1:1.

The median employee was identified using a listing of all employees as of December 31, 2017, and calculating the median amount of total 2017 compensation as it would be reported based on the IRS instructions for Box 5, Medicare wages and tips. Actual amounts reported on Box 5 for 2017 were used for all employees who were employed throughout the entire year. We further annualized pay for those individuals not employed for a full year in 2017. Once we identified our median employee, we calculated such employee's annual total compensation for 2017 in accordance with the requirements of Item 402(c)(2)(x) of Regulation S-K.

This pay ratio is a reasonable estimate calculated in a manner consistent with SEC rules based on the Company's payroll and employment records and the methodology described above. The SEC rules for identifying the median compensated employee and calculating the pay ratio based on that employee's annual total compensation allow companies to adopt a variety of methodologies, to apply certain exclusions, and to make reasonable estimates and assumptions that reflect their compensation practices. As such, the pay ratio reported by other companies may not be comparable to the pay ratio reported above, as other companies may have different employment and compensation practices and may utilize different methodologies, exclusions, estimates and assumptions in calculating their own pay ratios.

#### **Director Compensation in Fiscal Year 2017**

The following table sets forth a summary of the compensation we paid to our non-employee directors during 2017. Mr. Kevin P. Reilly, Jr. receives no additional compensation for Board service.

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)	Stock Awards (\$)(1)	Total (\$)
John Maxwell Hamilton <sup>(2)</sup>	56,000	54,958	110,958
John E. Koerner, III(3)	69,500	69,934	139,434
Stephen P. Mumblow	83,500	74,949	158,449
Thomas V. Reifenheiser(4)	72,500	69,934	142,434
Anna Reilly(5)	50,000	49,942	99,942
Wendell Reilly <sup>(6)</sup>	50,000	49,942	99,942

- (1) Reflects the aggregate grant date fair value recognized for financial statement reporting purposes for fiscal year 2017 in accordance with ASC Topic 718 that relates to the value of the shares awarded upon each director's election in 2017. For the assumptions underlying the valuation of these awards see Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, filed with the SEC on February 27, 2018.
- (2) As of December 31, 2017, Mr. Hamilton held options to purchase 8,000 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock.
- (3) As of December 31, 2017, Mr. Koerner held options to purchase 20,000 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock.
- (4) As of December 31, 2017, Mr. Reifenheiser held options to purchase 23,200 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock.
- (5) As of December 31, 2017, Ms. Reilly held options to purchase 10,000 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock.
- (6) As of December 31, 2017, Mr. Wendell Reilly held options to purchase 4,000 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock.

For 2017, we paid our non-employee directors annual fees in cash of \$50,000, paid monthly. We also reimburse non-employee directors for travel expenses incurred to attend Board and committee meetings and expenses incurred to perform other related responsibilities.

Each member of a committee (including the chair of such committee) of the Board of Directors also received an annual committee meeting fee, paid semi-annually in cash, for each committee on which they serve. For each Audit Committee member, the annual fee is \$7,500. For each Compensation Committee member and Nominating and Governance Committee member, the annual fee is \$3,000.

In 2017, the Chairman of the Audit Committee received an additional annual fee of \$20,000. In 2017, the Chairman of the Compensation and the Nominating and Governance Committees each received an additional annual fee of \$9,000. These fees are paid on a quarterly basis.

Each non-employee director automatically receives upon his election or re-election at an annual meeting of stockholders a restricted stock award in shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock with a fair market value as set forth below (rounded down to the nearest whole share), which fair market value is determined based upon the closing price of the Class A Common Stock on the date of such election, 50% of which is fully vested on the grant date and 50% of which vests on the last day of such director's one-year term (the business day prior to the Company's next annual meeting of stockholders) with pro-rated grants upon an election other than at an annual meeting of stockholders whether by action of the Board or the stockholders to fill a vacancy or otherwise.

Non-Employee Director	Fair Market Value of Restricted Stock Grant		
Non-Committee Members	\$	50,000	
Committee Members (not Chair)	\$	55,000	
Chair of Compensation Committee	\$	70,000	
Chair of Nominating and Governance Committee	\$	70,000	
Chair of Audit Committee	\$	75,000	

## EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION

The following table provides information as of December 31, 2017, with respect to shares of our Class A Common Stock that may be issued under our existing compensation plans.

Plan Category	(a) Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	(b) Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	(c) Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))	
Equity compensation plans approved by security		+ ((a)(2))		
holders(1)	1,250,136(2)	\$ 44.00(3)	1,397,324(4)(5)	
Equity compensation plans not approved by security				
holders	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Total	1,250,136	\$ 44.00	1,397,324	

(1) Consists of the 1996 Equity Incentive Plan and 2009 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

- (2) Includes shares issuable upon achievement of outstanding performance-based awards under our 1996 Equity Incentive Plan. Does not include purchase rights accruing under the 2009 Employee Stock Purchase Plan because the purchase price (and therefore the number of shares to be purchased) will not be determined until the end of the purchase period.
- (3) Does not take into account shares issuable upon achievement of outstanding performance-based awards, which will be issued for no consideration.
- (4) Includes shares available for future issuance under the 2009 Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Under the evergreen formula of this plan, on the first day of each fiscal year beginning with 2010, the aggregate number of shares that may be purchased through the exercise of rights granted under the plan is increased by the lesser of (a) 500,000 shares, (b) one-tenth of one percent of the total number of shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding on the last day of the preceding fiscal year, and (c) a lesser amount determined by the Board of Directors. On January 1, 2018, 83,838 shares of Class A Common Stock were added to the 2009 Employee Stock Purchase Plan pursuant to the evergreen formula.
- (5) In addition to stock option awards, the 1996 Equity Incentive Plan, as currently in effect, provides for the issuance of restricted stock, unrestricted stock and stock appreciation rights.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The following is the report of the Audit Committee with respect to the Company's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017.

The purpose of the Audit Committee is to assist the Board in fulfilling its responsibility to oversee the Company's accounting and financial reporting, internal controls, and audit functions. The Audit Committee Charter describes in greater detail the full responsibilities of the committee. The Audit Committee is comprised entirely of independent directors as defined by applicable Nasdaq Stock Market listing standards.

Management is responsible for our internal controls and the financial reporting process. The Company's independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for performing an independent audit of our consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting in accordance with the standards established by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and issuing a report thereon. The Audit Committee's responsibility is to monitor these processes. The Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed the consolidated financial statements with management and KPMG LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm.

In the course of its oversight of the Company's financial reporting process, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has:

- reviewed and discussed with management the Company's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017;
- discussed with KPMG LLP, the Company's independent registered public accounting firm, the matters required to be discussed by PCAOB Auditing Standards No. 1301;
- reviewed and discussed with management and KPMG LLP the Company's report on internal controls over financial reporting and the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures;
- received the written disclosures and the letter from KPMG LLP required by applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding KPMG's
  communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence;
- discussed with KPMG LLP its independence; and
- considered whether the provision of non-audit services by KPMG LLP is compatible with maintaining its independence.

Based on the foregoing review and discussions, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited financial statements be included in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, for filing with the SEC.

By the Audit Committee,

Stephen P. Mumblow (Chair) John E. Koerner, III Thomas V. Reifenheiser

## PROPOSAL NO. 2: RATIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The firm of KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has audited our financial statements for each of the years ending December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015. Our Audit Committee has appointed them to serve as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018. Representatives of KPMG LLP are expected to attend the Annual Meeting to respond to appropriate questions. Representatives of KPMG LLP will also have the opportunity to make a statement, if they desire.

Detailed disclosure of the audit, audit-related and tax fees we paid to KPMG LLP in 2017 and 2016 is set forth below. Based on these disclosures and information in the Audit Committee Report on page 31 of this proxy statement, our Audit Committee is satisfied that our accountants are sufficiently independent of management to perform their duties properly.

Although not legally required to do so, our Board considers it desirable to seek, and recommends, stockholder ratification of our selection of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2018. If the stockholders fail to ratify our selection, the Audit Committee will reconsider whether or not to retain that firm. Even if the selection is ratified, the Audit Committee in its discretion may direct the appointment of a different independent registered public accounting firm at any time during the year if the Audit Committee determines that such a change would be in the best interest of the Company and its stockholders.

#### **Audit Fees and Services**

The fees for services provided by KPMG LLP to the Company in 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	Fiscal 2017	Fiscal 2016
Audit Fees(1)	\$1,699,650	\$1,747,495
Audit-Related Fees <sup>(2)</sup>	22,500	21,900
Tax Fees <sup>(3)</sup>	118,352	92,151
All Other Fees		—
Total	\$1,840,502	\$1,861,546

(1) Audit Fees for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were for professional services rendered for the audits of our consolidated financial statements and review of financial statements included in our quarterly and annual financial statements and subsidiary audits. Audit Fees for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 also include costs associated with KPMG LLP's audit of our internal control over financial reporting.

- (2) Audit related fees consist of professional services rendered for the audit of our employee benefit plan.
- (3) Tax Fees for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, consist of tax compliance fees of \$46,002 and \$72,666 and tax planning fees of \$72,350 and \$19,484.

The Audit Committee has adopted policies and procedures that require pre-approval of all audit and permitted non-audit services to be provided by KPMG. All fees in the table above were approved in accordance with the policies and procedures established by the Audit Committee.

## **Required Vote**

The ratification of KPMG LLP as our independent public accounting firm will require a majority of the votes cast by the stockholders entitled to vote on this proposal at the meeting. Abstentions, broker non-votes, and votes withheld will not be treated as votes cast for this purpose and will not affect the outcome of the election.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the ratification of KPMG.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

# **Other Matters**

The Board of Directors is unaware of any business to be conducted at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders other than the matters described in the Notice to Stockholders. If other business is properly presented for consideration at the Annual Meeting, the enclosed proxy authorizes the persons named therein to vote the shares in their discretion on that matter.

#### **Communications from Stockholders**

The Board will give appropriate attention to written communications submitted by stockholders, and will respond if and as appropriate. Absent unusual circumstances or as contemplated by committee charters, the Chair of the Audit Committee will, with the assistance of our General Counsel, (i) be primarily responsible for monitoring communications from stockholders and (ii) provide copies or summaries of such communications to the other directors as he considers appropriate. Communications specifically addressed to a particular director will be forwarded to that director.

Communications will be forwarded to all directors if they relate to substantive matters and include suggestions or comments that the Chair of the Audit Committee considers to be important for the directors to know. In general, communications relating to corporate governance and long-term corporate strategy are more likely to be forwarded than communications relating to personal grievances and matters as to which we tend to receive repetitive or duplicative communications.

Stockholders who wish to send communications on any topic to the Board should address such communications to the Chair of the Audit Committee, c/o General Counsel, Lamar Advertising Company, 5321 Corporate Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808.

#### **Deadline for Stockholder Proposals and Director Nominations**

In order for a stockholder proposal to be considered for inclusion in our proxy materials for the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, we must receive it no later than December 7, 2018 (120 days before the anniversary of the mailing date of this proxy statement), assuming that the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Stockholders is not more than 30 days before or after May 17, 2019.

In addition, our bylaws require a stockholder who wishes to bring business before an annual meeting or propose director nominations at an annual meeting to give advance written notice to the Secretary as described in the bylaws. To be timely for the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, proposals must be received no earlier than January 17, 2019 and no later than the close of business on February 16, 2019 (120 days and 90 days before the anniversary date of this year's Annual Meeting, respectively), assuming that the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Stockholders is not more than 30 days before or 70 days after May 17, 2019.

Notices should be given in writing to the Company at its principal executive offices: 5321 Corporate Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808, Attention: Secretary.



## **Expenses of Solicitation**

We will bear the cost of the solicitation of proxies, including the charges and expenses of brokerage firms and others of forwarding solicitation material to beneficial owners of common stock. In addition to the use of mails, proxies may be solicited by our officers and any regular employees in person or by telephone. We expect that the costs incurred in the solicitation of proxies will be nominal.

April 6, 2018

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Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 P.M. Central Daylight Time on May 16, 2018. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

#### ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS

If you would like to reduce the costs incurred by our company in mailing proxy materials, you can consent to receiving all future proxy statements, proxy cards and annual reports electronically via e-mail or the Internet. To sign up for electronic delivery, please follow the instructions above to vote using the Internet and, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access proxy materials electronically in future years.

#### VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903

Use any touch-tone telephone to transmit your voting instructions up until 11:59 P.M. Central Daylight Time on May 16, 2018. Have your proxy card in hand when you call and then follow the instructions.

#### VOTE BY MAIL

Wark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

#### TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

LAMAR ADVERTISING COMPANY 5321 CORPORATE BLVD

BATON ROUGE, LA 70808

#### KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS

DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION ONLY

THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED.							
The Board of Directors recommends you vote FO following:	All	Withhold All	For All Except	To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee(s), mark "For All Except" and write the number(s) of the nominee(s) on the line below.			
1. Election of Directors Nominees							
01John E. Koerner, III02Marshall I06Kevin P. Reilly, Jr.07Wendell Re		Stephen P. N	Iumblow	04 Thomas V. Reifenheiser 05 Anna Reilly			
The Board of Directors recommends you vote FO	R the following pro	posal:			For	Against	Abstain
2. Ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Co	ompany's independe	nt registered	public acco	unting firm for fiscal 2018.			
For address change/comments, mark here. (see reverse for instructions)	Yes	No					
Please indicate if you plan to attend this meeting							
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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting:

The Annual Report, Notice & Proxy Statement is/are available at <u>www.proxyvote.com</u>.

# PROXY THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LAMAR ADVERTISING COMPANY

The undersigned hereby appoints KEVIN P. REILLY, JR., SEAN E. REILLY AND KEITH A. ISTRE, and each of them, with power to act without the other and with power of substitution, as proxies and attorneys-in-fact and hereby authorizes them to represent and vote, as provided on the other side, all the shares of Lamar Advertising Company Class A Common Stock which the undersigned is entitled to vote and, in their discretion, to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company to be held May 17, 2018 or any adjournment thereof, with all powers which the undersigned would possess if present at the Meeting.

THIS PROXY CARD, WHEN PROPERLY EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN BY THE UNDERSIGNED. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE BUT THE CARD IS SIGNED, THIS PROXY CARD WILL BE VOTED (IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS) FOR THE ELECTION OF ALL NOMINEES UNDER PROPOSAL 1, FOR PROPOSAL 2, AND IN THE DISCRETION OF THE PROXIES WITH RESPECT TO SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING.

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