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Committee Member Biography

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Gary Smith

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Mr. Gary B. Smith is president and chief executive officer (CEO) of Ciena. He was appointed president in 2000 and CEO in 2001, and served as director from 2000 to 2011. Mr. Smith has held various roles during his tenure at Ciena, including COO and senior vice president for worldwide sales. Mr. Smith joined Ciena in 1997 as vice president of international sales. Prior to Ciena, he worked at Intelsat General and Cray Communications, Inc. Mr. Smith is a member of the boards of directors for CommVault Systems, Inc., and Avaya Inc., and is a commissioner of the Global Information Infrastructure Commission. He is also a member of the Wall Street Journal CEO Council and serves on the Wake Forest University Advisory Council for the Center for Innovation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship. Mr. Smith earned a master's degree in business administration from Ashridge Management College in the United Kingdom.

