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Schulte Roth & Zabel Holds 7th Annual Shareholder Activism Conference

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Schulte Roth & Zabel (SRZ) is hosting its 7th Annual Shareholder Activism Conference today in New York. The conference features influential activists, prominent investors and leading advisers involved in many of the most high-profile situations. They will discuss the opportunities, as well as the challenges for the players in the present-day marketplace. The event is by invitation only.

Marc Weingarten and Eleazer Klein, co-chairs of SRZ's global Shareholder Activism Group, and Michael E. Swartz, SRZ partner who heads the shareholder activism litigation handled by the firm, will moderate panels covering "Current Developments in Shareholder Activism," "'Occasional' Activists," "Mid-Cap Activism" and "Large-Cap Activism." Additionally, Brandon S. Gold, a member of the Shareholder Activism Group, will analyze the data and findings from the 2016 *Shareholder Activism Insight* report, published this week by SRZ in association with Activist Insight and FTI Consulting, Click here for a PDF of the report.

Prominent leaders speaking at this year's conference include: Jason N. Ader of SpringOwl Asset Management; Jesse Cohn of Elliott Management Corporation; Joseph A. De Perio of Clinton Group, Inc.; Josh Frank of Trian Fund Management, L.P.; Richard Mansouri of Sandell Asset Management Corp.; Scott Ostfeld of JANA Partners LLC; J. Daniel Plants of Voce Capital Management LLC; Hab Siam of Altimeter Capital Management, LP; Gregory P. Taxin of Spotlight Advisors, LLC; George V. Young of St. Denis J. Villere & Co.; Steven Balet of FTI Consulting;

Jonathan Gasthalter of Gasthalter & Co.; Bruce H. Goldfarb of Okapi Partners LLC and Ken Squire of 13D Monitor & 13D Activist Fund.

"We are pleased to present this distinguished panel of speakers who will provide leading-edge insights on today's robust market. Indeed, while the headwinds led some to believe that activism may have peaked, we continue to expect the level of activism to rise," said Mr. Weingarten. "Today's conference will highlight the evolution of the activist marketplace and the interaction among classic activism, occasional and new players, and seasoned participants engaging in unique campaigns," added Mr. Klein.

SRZ's market-leading shareholder activism practice is well-known for handling all types of situations, from the straightforward to the most complex and sophisticated campaigns. Most recently, the firm advised: Altimeter Capital Management in its successful shareholder activist campaign at United Continental Holdings, the parent company of United Airlines; Elliott Management in connection with its agreement with PulteGroup, one of America's largest homebuilding companies; and JANA Partners in entering into a cooperation agreement with Team Health Holdings, a leading physician services organization.

"Today's conference provides a forum for leading activists and their trusted advisers to discuss the current state of shareholder activism and the emerging trends in the industry," commented Alan S. Waldenberg, chair of SRZ's Executive Committee. SRZ advises activists and "occasional activists," as well as companies, boards of directors and shareholders, on a wide variety of corporate governance and control issues and activist and defensive strategies, from behind-the-scenes long-term partnerships with management to proxy contests and consent solicitations. To visit SRZ's Shareholder Activism Resource Center, click here.

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