Cyber Security Governance

Addressing Emerging Expectations

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Agenda

- 1. Requirements imposed on corporate decision makers
- 2. Duties and obligations of Board related to cyber security
- 3. Questions Board Members should be asking
- 4. Resources for the company
- 5. Questions





Why should officers and directors pay attention?

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- Fiduciary Duties
 - Duty of Loyalty: in good faith with best interests of corporation
 - Duty of Care: care an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would exercise
 - Protected by Business Judgment Rule
 - Disinterested director
 - Informed business decision
 - In good faith
 - · Without abuse of discretion

Why pay attention?

- In re Caremark Int'l, 698 A.2d 959
 - Board's oversight role includes a duty to attempt in good faith to assure:
 - Existence of a corporate information and reporting system
 - That the system provides timely and accurate information to the Board in order for the Board to reach informed judgments on company compliance

Home Depot Shareholder Derivative Suit

Facts

- Loss
 - Financial data of 56 million customers
 - Overall cost of \$10B
- Oversight
 - Board dissolved Infrastructure Committee
 - Board delegated oversight to Audit Committee, but failed to amend charter
 - Board moved too slow to implement PCI-DSS compliance

Ruling

- Complaint
 - Board failed to institute internal controls
- Holding
 - Audit committee was receiving reports from management
 - Board believed Audit Committee had technical authority
 - Audit committee briefed Board
 - Board had a plan for PCI-DSS compliance (decisions must be reasonable, not perfect)





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