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all the information & guidance necessary to advise, plan, & run corporate shareholder meetings efficiently & effectively including up-to-date coverage of the latest SEC rules & regulations, recent DOL interpretations concerning institutional investors, case law developments, & emerging trends in shareholder actions. Comprehensive, authoritative, & practical, MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS covers every key topic relating to stockholder meetings, from the

laws & regulations to the mechanics of running the meeting, including: Selection of the meeting location
Preparation of the chair & officers
Creating an agenda
Meeting notice requirements
The right to inspect the shareholder list
Statutory criteria for eligibility
Preparing proxy materials
Proxy eligible securities
Disclosure requirements
Institutional investor issues
Handling shareholder proposals
Personal claims & grievances
Exceptions to Rule 14a-8, rules governing meeting conduct
Dealing with the disorderly stockholder
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Quorum, counting & reporting the vote
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Individual investors are

active participants in the shareholder resolution process, filing approximately one quarter of the total number of shareholder resolutions voted on each year. Their activism, however, is controversial. Critics contend that the large number of resolutions filed each year waste corporate resources and shareholder attention. Defenders respond that every shareholder is a legitimate participant in corporate governance and that shareholder resolutions are an important means of exercising voting and economic rights to improve corporate outcomes. In this Closer Look, we

examine the topic of individual shareholder activism in detail. We ask:

- Are individual activists harbingers of important new ideas or a strain on corporate resources?
- To what extent should shareholders actively participate in corporate policy? To what extent should they defer to the judgment of directors?
- How much “shareholder democracy” is the right amount?
- Should SEC rules governing shareholder resolutions be adjusted? The Stanford Closer Look series is a collection of short case studies through which we explore topics, issues, and controversies in corporate governance

and executive leadership. In each study, we take a targeted look at a specific issue that is relevant to the current debate on governance and explain why it is so important. Larcker and Tayan are co-authors of the books *Corporate Governance Matters* and *A Real Look at Real World Corporate Governance*. *Coalition Files Shareholder Resolutions On Environmental Commitment From Companies* OUP Oxford. This February 2008 report reviews U.S. shareholder activity on social policy issues in 2007, looking both at what happened to the resolutions proposed to American corporations and at the attitudes of major institutional investors that voted on

them. The 2007 proxy year broke records in the social policy sphere. The vote average reached 15.3 percent, a full two percentage points higher than the previous record set only the year before. The number of resolutions proposed also hit a new high, reaching 384, up from 367 in 2006. Sixty-four social issues proposals received support from more than 15 percent of the shares voted, 10 more than the year before, and the 33 of those that got better than 30 percent support doubled the number of top scorers in 2006. To put this in context, as recently as 2000 only about 20 proposals had passed the 10 percent mark that enables proponents to indefinitely resubmit a proposal.

The SEC as Referee

Wolters Kluwer
Should be a part of any serious business library -- and any

corporate library. -
Bookwatch - This practical guide gives step-by-step instructions plus the legal forms to be filled out and filed to keep corporate status. - Orange County Register
How Institutions Voted on Shareholder Resolutions in the 1984 Proxy Season
Investor Responsibility
This is a book about shareholders — who they are, what they own, how their composition and character has changed, and with it their relationship with the companies they own. It is also a book about shareholder rights and responsibilities. In a clear and readable style the book explores the key current corporate governance issues — company law and reporting, chief executive pay, regulatory and accountability requirements

— against the background of involvement, which they an ever-changing business environment: an environment in which private investors may have grown in number, but in which shareholders influence has dwindled as institutions have become the dominant shareholding group. Throughout the book the authors provide numerous examples and anecdotes illustrating the evolution of the joint stock company from the South Sea Company of the 18th century to the giants and cause celebres on the corporate stage in the 1980s and 1990s. Both authors are authoritative and informed commentators on issues of corporate governance with extensive management, policy and advocacy experience; their underlying concern is to show the importance of shareholder interest and

strongly believe will remain in the best interests of the company and the wider society in the 21st century. [How Institutions Voted on Social Policy Shareholder Resolutions in the 1993 Proxy Season](#) Wiley
A quiet revolution came to corporate America during the late 1980s and early 1990s. Large shareholders - pension funds, insurance companies, money managers, and commercial banks - exercised new-found muscle, pressuring senior managers to improve disappointing financial results by reshaping their organizations. Michael Useem reveals how those investor pressures have transformed the inside structures of many

corporations, better aligning them with shareholder interests. Useem draws on numerous sources, including interviews with senior managers and intensive studies of seven large corporations representing a range of restructuring experiences and industries - including pharmaceuticals, transportation, chemicals, retailing, and financial services. He shows that organizational changes have affected many areas of corporate life: headquarters staffs have been reduced, authority has filtered down to operating units, and compensation has become more closely tied to performance. Change also extends to corporate governance, where

managers have fought back by seeking legal safeguards against takeovers and by staggering board terms. They've also put significant resources into building more effective relations with shareholders. As Useem demonstrates, this revolution has reached beyond the corporation, influencing American politics and law. As increasing ownership concentration has caused companies to focus more attention on shareholders, corporate political agendas have shifted from fighting government regulation to resisting shareholder intrusion. This book will be important reading for managers, economists, lawyers, financial

analysts, and all observers of American business.

[U. S. Social Policy Shareholder Resolutions in 1995](#)

Shareholder Activism Handbook is the single most comprehensive guide on all matters relating to enforcing shareholders' rights. As shareholder activism becomes a more integral part of investing, the law continues to respond accordingly.

Legislators

How Institutions Voted on Social Policy Shareholder Resolutions in the 1990 Proxy Season

No aspect of business or finance has changed more dramatically over the past decade than corporate governance. Until recently it has been unthinkable for a shareholder resolution to be sponsored by an institutional investor, or for a resolution sponsored by

an individual investor to get more than 3 per cent of the vote. Suddenly institutional investors are submitting dozens of shareholder resolutions, all with substantial support.

Astonishingly, shareholders have been responsible for the departures of CEOs from the giants of Corporate America - General Motors, weestinghouse, IBM and Kodak.

How Institutions Voted on Social Responsibility Shareholder Resolutions in the 1985 Proxy Season

[Social Policy Shareholder Resolutions in 1999](#)

How Institutions Voted on Social Responsibility Shareholder Resolutions in the 1988 Proxy Season

How Institutions Voted on Shareholder Resolutions in the 1982 Proxy Season

Shareholder Activism Handbook

The 1978 Proxy Season

Fair Shares

Watching the Watchers

**Overview of Social
Responsibility Shareholder
Resolutions for 1989**

Staff Report on Corporate
Accountability

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Proxy Season**

Social Policy Shareholder
Resolutions in 2004