

Mr. Brent J. Fields Secretary
A Coalition of Growth Companies
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
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To Whom it May Concern:

I am a single mom who works hard to invest my hard-earned money in my investment funds. I have been reading and talking with several friends lately who tell me a couple of proxy advisory firms are pulling the strings.

I would like to know who works at these firms and what are their qualifications for making such recommendations? Why isn't there a list of all people that are influencing where my money goes listed somewhere? Shouldn't I be able to ask them questions?

I am asking that something be done to stop these firms from playing with my money and my boy's future. Let the folks who work at proxy advisory firms bring about social change on their dime, not mine. We need more transparency in the proxy process, and I urge you to please get to the bottom of these shady firms.

This type of underhanded behavior hurts my small investments and my family's future.

Thank you for taking the time to read my concerns.

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