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## **Lance Lindblom, Morris Pearl Join the Center for Political Accountability's Board of Directors**

Washington, DC – Lance Lindblom and Morris Pearl, two prominent leaders in efforts to bring transparency and accountability to corporate political spending, have joined the Center for Political Accountability Board of Directors, CPA announced today.

Lindblom, a major figure in the foundation community, is the retired President and CEO, and Trustee, of the Nathan Cummings Foundation. Morris Pearl is a former managing director at BlackRock, one of the world's largest investment firms. He now serves as Chair of the Patriotic Millionaires, a group of 200 high-net-worth Americans committed to building a more prosperous, stable, and inclusive nation.

"The Center is fortunate to have these two prominent leaders joining the board. They are deeply committed to reform and to bringing vast expertise from their careers in the worlds of charitable foundations and investments," said John Milton Cooper Jr., CPA's board chair.

Lindblom and Pearl "will strengthen an already strong board and expand the Center's impact," CPA President Bruce F. Freed said.

"It is an honor to join CPA's fight to bring transparency and accountability to corporate political spending in order to restore the democratic promise of our nation. Pulling back the veil that hides the secret political influence of corporate money and undermines our democracy is the first step to providing accountability to citizens, stockholders and other stakeholders," Lindblom said.

Pearl said he was "proud to join the Center for Political Accountability and to support its work on requiring disclosure of political spending by public corporations. When corporate executives secretly spend shareholders' money on politics, it is not good for politics and is not good for business."

Under Lindblom's leadership, the New York City-based foundation worked independently and also with other investors to file shareholder resolutions on issues with implications for both long term shareholder value and the foundation's focus areas. Over the last 12 years, NCF has filed more than 180 shareholder resolutions on issues ranging from climate change to corporate political disclosure.

Lindblom also has served as a program officer for the Ford Foundation; as executive vice president of the Open Society Institute; as Visiting Fellow, International Human Rights Law Institute; and President and CEO, J. Roderick MacArthur Foundation.

Prior to BlackRock, Pearl had a long tenure on Wall Street, where he invented some of the securitization technology connecting America's capital markets to consumers in need of credit.

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