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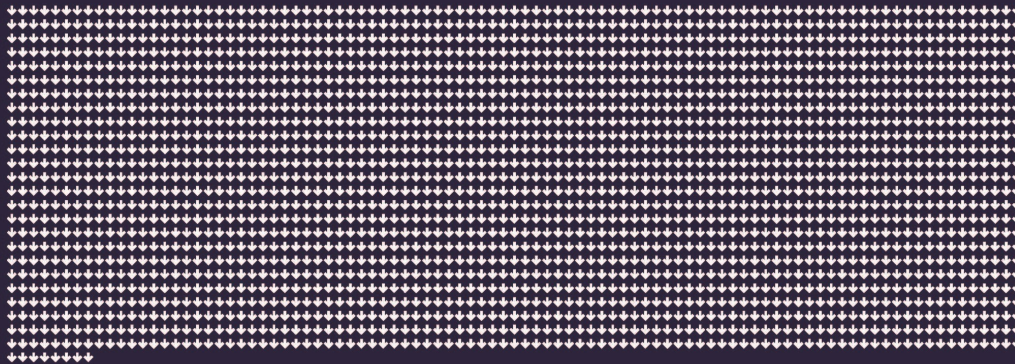
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Exhibit 1

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If you purchased your Disney stock in the last 10 years, you were likely underwater before Trian's involvement, amid one of the greatest market rallies and bullish periods for media, lodging, experiences and technology stocks.¹

In the 10 years before Trian's involvement, investors who bought Disney stock on any one of **2,333** days have lost money.



Investors lucky enough to have bought on the right **186** days have made money.



One of Disney's largest investors, Trian, has nominated two exceptional candidates for the Disney Board who have the skills and experience to help drive more **BLUE** days ahead. Your choice at this Annual Meeting is to stick with the **WHITE** team – Disney's current board – that got us here, or switch to the **BLUE** team by voting the **BLUE** proxy card, to see change.

Trián's Nominees Can Help Disney Restore the Magic

Disney wants you to believe that Nelson Peltz and Jay Rasulo will be “disruptive”² forces in the boardroom and would “impede”³ the Company's transformation. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Nelson is a highly experienced and collaborative Board member who recognizes Unilever's strengths and has a strong desire to help the company unlock its full potential.”

Hein Schumacher, Unilever
(CEO from 2023 – Today)

From day one, Nelson has been a focused, collaborative member of P&G's Board. Working in concert, Nelson and the Board have constructively provided perspective and expertise to help me and P&G's senior leaders navigate a challenging external environment and maintain long-term competitive advantage for the benefit of many stakeholders. I'm grateful for his service and the collaborative partnership we've developed over the past few years and wish Nelson and the Trián team the best in future endeavors.”

David Taylor, Procter & Gamble (CEO from 2015 – 2021)

[Jay Rasulo's] decades of experience in the [Disney] organization allow him to walk in understanding the company's strengths and weaknesses at a core operating level.”

Steve Segal, Buchalter,
January 19, 2024

Since joining our Board in January 2014, Nelson has been a constructive participant in Mondelēz International's board processes. My management team and I have engaged often and productively with the Trián team and appreciate their insights on strategy, operations and investor reactions to various issues. They do their homework and... ask the tough questions to understand our company, and develop ideas to help grow the business and create sustainable long-term value.”

Irene Rosenfeld, Mondelēz International
(CEO from 2007 – 2017)

As [Disney's] former CFO (predecessor to McCarthy), [Jay] Rasulo is highly credible regarding Trián's 2 primary complaints – that Disney lacks efficiency, and that the Board lacks important expertise.”

Peter Supino, Wolfe Research,
December 17, 2023

I have the highest regard for Nelson Peltz. Since becoming CEO of DuPont, I have talked many times with the Trián team and appreciate their insights on strategy and operations, as well as the collaborative and productive manner in which they have engaged with us. Their ability to rigorously analyze opportunities for long-term value maximization has been consistently demonstrated over the years.”

Ed Breen, DuPont (CEO from 2015 – Today)

Jay Rasulo ... was a potential CEO of Disney, ran the Parks and was the CFO, so he is obviously well qualified.”

Jessica Reif Ehrlich, Bank of America,
December 15, 2023

Nelson Peltz has joined our board and brought all kinds of good ideas... Nelson's an experienced board member who is very focused on performance and setting up the company for the future.”

Alan Joape, Unilever
(CEO from 2019 – 2023)

Jay has been a valued colleague and friend, as well as a vital contributor to Disney's success, particularly in his roles as chief financial officer and chairman of our Parks and Resorts division. I look forward to working with him in this new advisory role, where his strategic acumen and savvy insight will continue to benefit the company.”

Bob Iger, Chairman and CEO,
The Walt Disney Company,
June 1, 2015

I said to another CEO... who had called me and inquired about Nelson, that if I were to form the board today, Nelson would be one of the first Directors I'd ask to serve because he is an insightful, communicative, enthusiastic, energetic and available Director.”

Bill Johnson, The H. J. Heinz Company
(CEO from 1998 – 2013)

Trian's Nominees Have Track Records of Assisting Companies with the Issues that Now Plague Disney

We believe Disney's poor performance reflects the Board's lack of focus, alignment and accountability. As shareholders, we can only expect a better outcome if we augment the Board with new directors who have demonstrated expertise in areas key to Disney's issues.



Nelson Peltz has served as a director at some of the world's most iconic companies and helped solve problems like the ones that plague Disney today. He has overseen significant strategy shifts⁴, operational improvements⁵, complex CEO succession processes,⁶ and helped align pay with performance.⁷



Jay Rasulo is Disney's former CFO and head of its Parks business. He oversaw the successful investment into Disney's parks⁸ and a period of strong financial performance while he was CFO.⁹

NEEDS OF DISNEY BOARD

TRACK RECORD OF TRIAN'S NOMINEES

Role	Disney's Challenge	Nelson Peltz	Jay Rasulo
Strategy Oversight	Slow to adapt to industry disruptions ¹⁰ ; strategic "flip-flopping" ¹¹ ; poorly planned streaming strategy ¹²	Has served on over a dozen public company boards and is an expert at improving strategies of underperforming companies	Had a successful 30-year career at Disney in senior strategic, financial and operating roles
Performance Oversight	Over the last five years, operating margin, free cash flow and earnings per share have declined and Disney has underperformed its peers ¹³	Oversaw efficiency improvements, streamlining of operations and expanded margins at leading companies like Mondelez ¹⁴ and Procter & Gamble ¹⁵	During his tenure as CFO, Disney expanded its segment operating margin every year, from ~20% to ~28% ¹⁶
Succession	Chronic succession failures have led to an overreliance on one CEO ¹⁷	Played a key role in CEO transition at Unilever ¹⁸ and has also overseen CEO successions at Mondelez, Wendy's, Sysco and Janus Henderson, among others	As Chair of iHeartMedia's Compensation Committee, is responsible for evaluating management development and succession planning ¹⁹
Executive Compensation	Disney has one of the worst Say-on-Pay track records in the S&P 500 ²⁰ , and executives are regularly paid above their target levels despite poor performance ²¹	Has helped to catalyze significant improvements to compensation program at Procter & Gamble ²² , among others	Chair of Compensation Committee at iHeart Media, which has received an average Say-on-Pay proposal vote of 98% during his tenure ²³
M&A Review and Approvals	The \$71 billion Fox acquisition was strategically flawed and has not delivered promised results ²⁴	Played key strategic role in numerous M&A transactions and portfolio transformations at companies such as Cadbury Schweppes, Ingersoll Rand, Legg Mason and Mondelez and has a track record of acquiring and improving businesses including Snapple ²⁵ and Wendy's ²⁶	Helped complete or integrate successful acquisitions at Disney, including the acquisitions of Lucasfilm and Marvel
Overseeing Capital Allocation	Capital allocation has been capital value destructive ²⁷ ; announced \$60 billion CapEx spend in Parks with seemingly no target returns or timeframes	While a director at H.J. Heinz, the company increased returns on capital by 560 bps while increasing marketing spend and CapEx ²⁸	While head of Parks and CFO at Disney, oversaw the investment of over \$30 billion in Parks and compounded Parks segment operating income at ~10% annually ²⁹

Nelson Peltz and Jay Rasulo have the track records to help Disney, so we can work towards more **BLUE** days in the future!

To help ensure Mr. Peltz and Mr. Rasulo are elected, you should withhold on Disney Nominees Michael B.G. Froman and Maria Elena Lagomasino and all three Blackwells Nominees. Use the **BLUE** proxy card.

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¹Source: FactSet as of 10/06/23. Assumes shares are held from purchase date applying each respective closing price through 10/06/23. 10/06/23 represents the trading day prior to the WSJ article titled "Nelson Peltz Boosts Disney Stake, Seeks Board Seats" by Lauren Thomas and Robbie Whelan reporting on Trian's increased beneficial ownership in Disney shares and expected request for Board representation.

²Source: Disney Letter to Shareholders, 02/02/23.

³Source: Disney Letter to Shareholders, 02/01/24.

⁴Source: Forbes article titled "The Nelson Peltz Diet: Wendy's Maps Out Its Leaner And Meaner Future, 05/06/15 ("The Wendy's Company is beginning to show the fruits of its transformation from a slow-moving, also-ran burger chain and into an aggressive restaurant industry player that's able to outperform larger competitors such as McDonalds. The transformation has all the makings of Wendy's top shareholder and former owner, the Nelson Peltz-run activist hedge fund Trian Management").

⁵At The Procter & Gamble Company ("P&G"), a household products company where Mr. Peltz served on the board from 2018 until 2021, he helped P&G develop and oversee a "Four-Year Overhaul" that resulted in P&G "making several dramatic changes to help improve performance" and "streamlin[ing] its operations from 10 business units to six, improv[ing] its earnings growth, clear[ing] out bureaucracy and increas[ing] accountability." (Source: Article titled "Peltz to Depart P&G Board, Capping Nearly Four-Year Overhaul," published August 5, 2021 by Bloomberg).

⁶At Unilever plc ("Unilever"), a consumer goods company where Mr. Peltz serves on the board, Mr. Peltz has helped oversee the company's CEO succession process, interviewing potential candidates and, along with the rest of the board, appointing Hein Schumacher as the successor to Alan Jope (Source: Article titled "Activist Investor Peltz Meets Possible Unilever CEOs," published October 25, 2022 by Reuters).

⁷See endnote 22 and accompanying text.

⁸From FY 2003 to FY 2015, Disney reported more than \$30 billion in "Investments in parks, resorts and other property," per its annual reports on Form 10-K.

⁹During James A. Rasulo's tenure as CFO, Disney's stock price increased by more than 250% and the Company paid more than \$8 billion in dividends to shareholders. Source: FactSet. James A. Rasulo was Chief Financial Officer at Disney from 01/01/10 through 06/30/15.

¹⁰Netflix launched its streaming service in 2007, while Disney+ did not launch until 2019.

¹¹In a CNBC interview on February 9, 2023, Bob Iger said the following regarding Hulu: "Everything is on the table right now, so I am not going to speculate whether we are a buyer or a seller of it. But I obviously have suggested that I'm concerned about undifferentiated general entertainment, particularly in the competitive landscape that we are operating in" Then on November 4, 2023, Disney announced it will purchase the remaining stake in Hulu from Comcast.

¹²Disney has lost over \$4 billion in its direct-to-consumer segment to date. Source: FactSet.

¹³Source: FactSet. Disney's reported total segment operating income, diluted EPS from continuing operations, and free cash flow between FY 2018 and FY 2023 have each declined.

¹⁴Barron's article titled "How Nelson Peltz Gets Results, 07/04/15 ("Ever since [Trian acquired a stake], Mondelez management has embraced much of the Trian playbook by adopting zero-based budgeting and investing in new high-tech plants to bring down production costs. The moves are starting to improve operating profit margins and earnings on a constant currency basis").

¹⁵Source: Bloomberg article titled "Peltz to Depart P&G Board, Capping Nearly Four-Year Overhaul," 08/05/21 ("P&G has sustained market share, streamlined its operations from 10 business units to six, improved its earnings growth, cleared out bureaucracy and increased accountability").

¹⁶From FY 2010 to FY 2015, Disney reported segment operating margin of 19.9%, 21.6%, 23.6%, 23.8%, 26.6% and 28.0%, respectively, as per its annual report on Form 10-K.

¹⁷Source: Alex Sherman, CNBC, "Disney's Wildest Ride: Iger, Chapek and the Making of an Epic Succession Mess" published on 09/06/23. See also, Robbie Whelan, The Wall Street Journal, "The Disney Sequel Bob Iger Never Wanted" published on 01/24/24.

¹⁸The Times article titled "Unilever set for shake-up by its new chief Hein Schumacher," 01/31/23 ("Nelson Peltz helped to recruit restructuring specialist [Schumacher]").

¹⁹Source: iHeartMedia Proxy Statement, 04/05/23 ("The Compensation Committee periodically considers management development and succession planning, including short-term succession planning for certain of the Company's most senior management positions...").

²⁰Disney's average, "Say-on-Pay" since 2011 benchmarks poorly versus the S&P 500 median – 70% vs. 94%, respectively. Only one constituent of the S&P 500 (Oracle) has received more votes below 70% than Disney over this period.

²¹Annual bonus payouts to Disney's Named Executive officers have exceeded 100% of target for ten of the past eleven years, despite Disney's stock underperformance, see endnote 1 above.

²²After Nelson Peltz joined the Procter & Gamble Board in March 2017, the company made a number of changes to its compensation program designed to better align pay with performance, including changing the long-term incentive program so that it would incorporate relative organic sales growth and relative total shareholder return, and expanding the payout range of its annual bonus program.

²³Diligent: iHeartMedia's Say-on-Pay proposal received 98.4% and 97.2% support at the 2022 and 2023 Annual Meetings, respectively.

²⁴Disney's adjusted earnings per share have declined ~50% since the acquisition closed (measured from FY18 through FY2023). Source: FactSet.

²⁵Source: Harvard Business Review article titled "How Snapple Got Its Juice Back," January 2002 ("In 1997, Quaker sold Snapple to Triarc Beverages for \$300 million, a price most observers found generous... In October 2000, Triarc... sold the brand to Cadbury Schweppes for about \$1 billion. The turnaround would be astonishing in any industry, but especially in the beverage-marketing business, where short-lived brands are depressingly common... How did Triarc restore most of that value in less than three years? What did Triarc do with such apparently effortless grace that Quaker, with all its resources, could not?").

²⁶Barron's article titled "Appetizing Change on the Menu," 02/09/13 ("In 2008, Wendy's was acquired for \$2.4 billion by Triarc, a holding company controlled by activist investor Nelson Peltz... Wendy's has made significant changes to its menu and marketing plan... The changes are showing up in profitability and sales...").

²⁷For example, Disney has spent \$200 billion since 2018 on assets and acquisitions (such as the purchase of 21st Century Fox), but Disney's financial performance has suffered. See endnote 13 above.

²⁸Source: Trian Heinz Case Study, dated April 2015, available at: <https://www.svegroup.com/activist-cases/presentations/trian-heinz.pdf>.

²⁹Based on Parks segment operating income of \$957 million and \$3.03 billion in FY 2003 and FY 2015, respectively, as reported in Disney's annual reports on Form 10-K.

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