



# Boards & Commissions Series

## March

WELD's mission is to develop and advance women's leadership to strengthen the economic prosperity of the communities it serves. When women have a seat at the leadership table, our companies and communities thrive. Some of the most important leadership tables are those of boards and commissions. At WELD's 2018 leadership conference, WELD launched its first training session on boards and commissions featuring commissioners across a variety of geographies.

Increasing gender diversity of public company boards is a hot topic and many women are actively pursuing these opportunities. The reality is that one's first board seat will not be on a public company board. Consider board service as a spectrum that includes boards and commissions. We hope you will join us for our Boards & Commissions Series to learn how to get your seat at the table.

**Becky Cornett, PhD**

**March 18, 2019**  
Monday

12:00pm-1:00pm EST  
11:00am-12:00pm CST

**- Registration Fees -**

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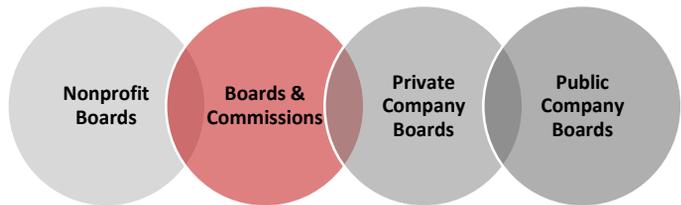
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**When women lead, our economy, companies and communities thrive.**

### **Boards & Commissions – Get Your Seat at the Table!**

Serving on a state/county/city board or commission is an excellent way to serve your community. It provides an opportunity to have a voice in decision making and to serve as a bridge between government and the community ensuring oversight and raising awareness of important community issues. Having more women in these roles is a critical component of WELD's mission given the positive economic impact women have when they are in leadership roles.

This session will cover the following topics:

- The rationale for serving on a public entity board or commission
- An overview of the skills and experiences sought by various public boards and commissions
- How to prepare and position one's self for service on these entities
- Understanding the appointment process
- What to expect in serving on a commission

*Registration closes at midnight on March 13<sup>th</sup>! Late fees apply after registration closes. Please contact Mindy Koenig at mkoenig@weldoh.org for questions.*

**Register at:  
[www.weldusa.org](http://www.weldusa.org)**



## About Our Speaker...



**Becky Sutherland Cornett, PhD**  
**Retired from The Ohio State**  
**University Wexner Medical Center**

Becky Sutherland Cornett, Ph.D., is a volunteer community leader in Delaware County, Ohio and a member of the WELD Impact Committee. Cornett was appointed to three-year terms on the Delaware County Transit Board in October 2018 and to the SourcePoint board of directors in January 2019. She is also a volunteer for the Delaware City Schools; a member of the Friends of the Delaware District Library, the League of Women Voters of Delaware County, and a volunteer guardian for the Area Agency on Aging. Cornett's previous board appointments include Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio, where she was the inaugural chair of the Quality and Compliance Committee and a member of the Executive Committee, and the WELD National board, where she was the first chair of the Impact Committee.

Cornett retired in late 2017 from Ohio State's Wexner Medical Center after three decades of service. Her experience over the years encompassed clinical services, operations management, regulatory compliance, finance administration, strategic planning, and government affairs. She co-authored two textbooks on speech-language pathology and has contributed over 130 book chapters, articles, and presentations during her career. Cornett continues publishing articles for WELD with Barb Smoot in *Smart Business Columbus* magazine and is co-authoring a chapter on professional accountability for the upcoming 5<sup>th</sup> edition of *Professional Issues in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology* (Plural Publishing).