



Board Readiness for Shareholder Activism



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For many people, proxy fights are almost synonymous with shareholder activism. But we view them as just one point on an activism continuum that also includes investors' engagement with companies whose shares they hold, shareholder proposals, and more. Whenever an investor leverages their rights and privileges as an owner to influence a company's practices or strategy, that's shareholder activism...

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