

## Henry Schein Appoints Two New Directors

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MELVILLE, N.Y., Feb 28, 2002 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Henry Schein, Inc. (Nasdaq:HSIC) today announced the appointment of Philip A. Laskawy and Norman S. Matthews to its Board of Directors, bringing the total number of Company directors to 13.

Mr. Laskawy, 60, spent 40 years at Ernst & Young, retiring as Chairman of the Company in 2001. Under his leadership, the Company expanded into a global leader in professional services with over 84,000 professionals and operations in more than 130 countries worldwide. Mr. Laskawy earned his Bachelor's Degree in Economics from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He currently serves on the Board of Directors at companies including The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, The Progressive Corporation, thirteen/WNET, and The Philharmonic - Symphony Society of New York, Inc.

With over three decades of experience as a business leader in marketing and merchandising, Mr. Matthews, 69, is currently an independent business consultant. As former President of Federated Department Stores, he led the operations of one of the nation's leading department store retailers with over 450 stores in 34 states. Mr. Matthews is a Princeton University graduate and earned his Masters in Business Administration from Harvard Business School. He currently serves on the Board of Directors at companies including Toys 'R' Us, The Progressive Corporation and Sunoco, and is a trustee at the American Museum of Natural History.

"I am pleased and proud to welcome Mr. Laskawy and Mr. Matthews to Henry Schein's Board of Directors," said Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President of Henry Schein. "Each of these business leaders brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Company, which will be a valuable asset as we continue to pursue our strategic goals for the future."

"I am delighted to have been appointed to the Board of Directors of such an innovative industry leader as Henry Schein," said Mr. Laskawy. "Having been fortunate to work with many different companies throughout my career, it is clear to me that Henry Schein faces significant market opportunities with superior assets and advantages. I look forward to working with my colleagues on the Board and a seasoned management team."

"I am very pleased to join Henry Schein's Board of Directors," said Mr. Matthews. "Throughout my career, I have repeatedly seen the correlation between commitment to customer service and success in business. I am eager to share my business experiences and play a role in the future success of this dynamic Company."

About Henry Schein, Inc.

Henry Schein, Inc. is the largest distributor of healthcare products and services to office-based healthcare practitioners in the combined North American and European markets. Recognized for its excellent customer service and low prices, the Company serves more than 400,000 customers worldwide, including dental practices and laboratories, physician practices and veterinary clinics, as well as government and other institutions.

The Company operates its five business groups - Dental, Medical, Veterinary, International and Technology - through a centralized and automated distribution network, which provides customers in more than 125 countries with a comprehensive selection of over 80,000 national and Henry Schein private-brand products. Henry Schein also offers a wide range of innovative value-added practice solutions, including such leading practice management software systems as DENTRIX(R) and Easy Dental(R), for dental practices, and AVImark(R) for veterinary clinics, which are installed in over 44,000 practices; and ArubA(R), Henry Schein's electronic catalog and ordering system.

Headquartered in Melville, New York, Henry Schein employs over 6,500 people in 16 countries. The Company's 2000 sales reached a record \$2.4 billion. For more information, visit the Henry Schein Web site at [www.henryschein.com](http://www.henryschein.com).

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