

Brown Shoe Company Elects W. Lee Capps to Board of Directors

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ST. LOUIS--([BUSINESS WIRE](#))--Brown Shoe Company (NYSE: BWS) (brownshoe.com) today announced the election of W. Lee Capps to its board of directors and his appointment to the audit committee. Capps was most recently chief operating officer for Kellwood Company. At Kellwood, he also served in several other executive leadership roles, including seven years as the company's chief financial officer.

"Adding Lee to our board of directors gives us the benefit of both his strong accounting background and his industry experience," said Diane Sullivan, president and CEO of Brown Shoe Company. "His expertise in finance, treasury, and compliance and control activities will also be of great value."

Capps, a U.S. Air Force veteran, started his accounting career at KPMG, where he spent more than 10 years in various audit roles. Prior to joining Kellwood, he worked for Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Lubbock, Texas, as the CFO and controller.

About Brown Shoe Company

Brown Shoe Company is a \$2.6 billion, global footwear company whose shoes are worn by people of all ages, from all walks of life. Our products are available virtually everywhere — in the nearly 1,300 Famous Footwear and Naturalizer retail stores we operate, in hundreds of major department and specialty stores, on 14 branded ecommerce sites, and on many additional third-party retail websites. Through our broad range of products, we serve three key market segments. Our Family brands — Famous Footwear, Famous.com, and shoes.com — are one-stop-shopping destinations for high quality, affordable styles for a family's every occasion. Active people who want comfort, style and performance can look to our Healthy Living brands — Naturalizer, Dr. Scholl's, LifeStride and Ryka. Our Contemporary Fashion brands — Via Spiga, Vince, Sam Edelman, Franco Sarto, Carlos Santana and Fergie Footwear — keep fashionistas in step with the latest trends. At Brown Shoe Company, we inspire people to feel good and live better... feet first!

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