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Jane J. Thompson to Deliver Keynote Address at W.net Payments Conference

Former Walmart Executive to Discuss Corporate Leadership Efforts to Support Women

MCLEAN, VA., Aug. 30, 2015) – The Women's Network in Electronic Transactions (W.net) is pleased to announce Jane J. Thompson, former Walmart executive, will lead a keynote session at the Career & Leadership Summit, September 29-30, 2015, at The Westin Michigan Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, from 12:30 – 2:00 pm. At the Summit, Thompson will speak to payments professionals on the dynamics of the payment industry. There has never been a more exciting time to be in payments whether it is the faster payment systems initiative or mobile banking and MPOS or cyber security. Opportunities and threats abound in all directions and it is a great time to become an expert in a fast changing segment of the industry and rise to the top! Thompson is recognized as an innovator and marketer and will share her extensive experience on how to innovate and maximize growth in billion-dollar businesses.

"Jane's exceptional career portrays a true leader, mentor and inspiration for all women," said **Linda Rossetti**, W.net 2015 president and Bluestone Payments, LLC president. "As part of our 10 year anniversary celebration, the Women's Network in Electronic Transactions is honored to feature Jane and hear her insights that can help fuel women's growth in the payments industry."

Jane's career spans both public and corporate service. She has successfully led multi-billion dollar organizations in two of the nation's largest retail corporations, serving at the executive committee levels of **Walmart** and **Sears**. In these roles she led strategic efforts and operating divisions for both corporations.

Jane currently serves on the Board of Directors for multiple public corporations including Verifone (NYSE: PAY), The Fresh Market (NASDAQ: TFM), Navient Corporation (NASDAQ: NAVI), Blackhawk Network (NASDAQ: HAWK) and OnDeck (NYSE: ONDK). She also serves as a Board member for the Center for Financial Service Innovation, the nation's foremost authority on consumer financial health. A clear leader and ardent articulator of consumer needs, Jane was chosen as one of 25 members for the inaugural Consumer Advisory Board within the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

Throughout her career, Jane has been a strong advocate and mentor to women in business, founding and building organizations to support corporate leadership efforts. She was recognized multiple times for her success, including being named as one of "The 25 Most Powerful Women in Finance," by American Banker multiple years in succession.

W.net's <u>Career & Leadership Summit</u> is the most valuable and comprehensive professional development opportunity for women working in payments. The Summit includes two additional informative and inspiring keynotes, including **Paula Veach**, Ph.D. and **Anna Soo Wildermuth**, AICI, CIM, learning sessions that address career development needs, mentoring, financial planning and over three hours of networking opportunities. View the full schedule here.

Learn more about the Career & Leadership Summit on W.net's website and register today.

The Women's Network in Electronic Transactions (W.net) is the premier professional organization for women in payments, providing personal enrichment no matter what stage members are in their career.

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The organization provides world-class national and regional programming, fosters networking and promotes mentoring to help members achieve greater personal success, influence and professional parity. Founded in 2005, W.net is a 501 (c) (3) non-for-profit organization serving more than 1,000 women in payments annually. For more information about national and regional events and programming, or to become a member, please visit www.wnetonline.org.

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