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Bernard L. Schwartz is an industrialist, a progressive public policy advocate and a philanthropist. Currently chairman and chief executive officer of BLS Investments, LLC, a private investment firm founded in 2006, Mr. Schwartz served for 34 years as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Loral Space & Communications, a NYSE-listed producer of satellites and satellite systems, and its predecessor company, Loral Corporation, a leading defense electronics firm. In addition, from 1989 to 2005, Mr. Schwartz served as chairman of the board of K&F Industries, a worldwide leader in the manufacture of wheels, brakes and brake control systems for commercial transport, general aviation and military aircraft. He also served until 2001 as chairman and CEO of Globalstar Telecommunications Limited, a mobile satellite telecommunications network.

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