



## **Travelers**

Locations: New York (HQ) Industries: Insurance



## **DESCRIPTION:**

The Travelers Companies is High Risk. The company yields to political activism in shaping corporate governance, potentially alienating consumers, dividing employees, and harming shareholders. The company implements race and identity-based policies that replace merit, excellence, and integrity with preferential treatment and outcomes. Travelers embraces corporate initiatives that redirect its central focus from business goals to partisan policies and divisive issues. This approach fails to safeguard free exercise, free speech, and free enterprise.

## **Corporate Weaponization**

Has canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors due to their political views or religious beliefs OR High Risk corporately boycotts, divests, or sanctions regions, people groups, or industries.

Travelers adopted a climate policy in 2022, that stops all underwriting with power plants energized by coal (1). Travelers will "phase out" all existing relationships by 2030 (2). The company's HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company recruits employees based on sexual identity. The company discriminates against vendors that do not promote divisive sex and gender policies, indicating it prioritizes sexual issues over merit (3)(4).

Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate

High Risk against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs.

Travelers HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company will not donate to non-religious charities unless they embrace controversial sexual identity policies (1)(2). Travelers charitable giving guidelines require that organizations abide by its nondiscrimination policy, including on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity, thereby excluding some religious charities (3)(4).

Employment policies fail to protect against viewpoint or other discrimination and/or are High Risk ideological in nature.

Travelers HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company forces employees to attend multiple, controversial trainings on gender identity, sexual orientation, transgender issues, and divisive racial ideology. The company provides gender transition guidelines for its employees and specific benefits guide with a comprehensive explanation of transgender services funded by the company (1)(2). Travelers offers unconscious bias training and a diversity education program to its employees (3). Travelers requires all its employees to complete a conscious inclusion workshop (4). Travelers does not provide viewpoint protections for its employees (5).



## **Corporate Governance and Public Policy**

Uses corporate reputation to support causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom of expression.

Travelers HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company agrees to allow a controversial stakeholder group focused on sexual identity issues to dictate marketing or advertising strategy (1)(2). By doing so, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. CEO Alan Schnitzer is a member of the Business Roundtable and signed its 2019 Statement on the Purpose of a Corporation, which promotes stakeholder capitalism over traditional obligations to shareholders (3)(4). Travelers employs a Chief Diversity & Inclusion officer and hosts a Diversity Council (5).

Uses corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom High Risk of expression.

Travelers HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company covers transgender related costs for its employees and their children, including paid short-term leave, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, chest surgeries, genital surgeries, medical visits and lab monitoring, travel and lodging. Additionally, the company has pledged philanthropic support of at least one organization or event that promotes sex and gender ideology (1)(2). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company increases health care costs and risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. Travelers has donated \$1,000,000 to the Black Lives Matter movement and related causes (3)(4). Travelers is a copper sponsor of Out & Equal (5). Travelers is a Corporate Member of the Mid-America LGBT Chamber of Commerce (6)(7).

Uses corporate political actions and/or financial contributions for ideological, non-business High Risk purposes.

Travelers HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company publicly advocated for controversial sex and gender ideology through local, state or federal legislation or initiatives ( $\underline{1}$ )( $\underline{2}$ ). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. Travelers has not used its PAC donations or lobbying for ideological purposes ( $\underline{3}$ )( $\underline{4}$ )( $\underline{5}$ ).

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