



# Capital Group

Subsidiaries: American Funds Locations: California (HQ) Industries: Diversified Financials



#### **DESCRIPTION:**

Capital Group Companies scored a 95 on the 2023 Corporate Equality Index

(CEI) from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a political stakeholder group. By complying with Human Rights Campaign's controversial demands, Capital Group increases the risk of dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. The company covers transgender-related medical costs for its employees and their children. It also uses sex and gender ideology criteria in employee recruitment, vendor selection, marketing, and philanthropic support. Capital Group forces employees to undergo multiple ideological trainings and uses its reputation, corporate funds, and political influence to support controversial sex and gender ideologies, organizations, and legislation. Capital Group's CEO signed the CEO Action for Diversity and Inclusion pledge. The company is part of the Net Zero Asset Managers initiative, committed to carbon neutrality by 2050. Capital Group supports the Equality Act and is a copper sponsor of Out & Equal. For these reasons, Capital Group receives a High Risk rating.

### **Corporate Weaponization**

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

**Medium Risk** 

Capital Group received a score of 95 on the 2023 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a political stakeholder group. The company recruit's employees based on sexual identity issues. The company discriminates against vendors that do not promote divisive sex and gender policies, indicating it prioritizes sexual issues over merit (1)(2). However, Capital Group has not publicly terminated business relationships due to religious beliefs or political views.

Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs.

**High Risk** 

Capital Group's HRC CEI rating indicates the company will not donate to non-religious charities unless they embrace controversial sexual identity policies (1)(2). Capital Group does not discriminate against religious organizations in its charitable giving (3).

Employment policies fail to protect against discrimination based on political affiliation/views **High Risk** and/or religion.

The company's HRC 2023 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 a specific benefits guide with a comprehensive explanation of transgender services funded by the company (1)(2). Capital Group's CEO signed the CEO Action for Diversity & Inclusion pledge, which includes a commitment to promote DEI through bias education training in the workplace (3)(4).



## **Corporate Governance and Public Policy**

Uses corporate reputation to support ideological causes and/or organizations hostile to freedom High Risk of expression.

Capital Group's HRC 2023 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. Capital Group signed an open letter in support of the Equality Act (3). The company is part of the Net Zero Asset Managers initiative, committed to carbon neutrality by 2050 (4).

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

Capital Group's HRC 2023 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. Capital Group is a copper sponsor of Out & Equal (3)(4).

#### Uses corporate political contributions for ideological, non-business purposes.

High Risk

Capital Groupindicates the company publicly advocated for controversial sex and gender ideology through local, state or federal legislation or initiatives (1)(2). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. Capital Group has not used its PAC donations or lobbied for ideological purposes (3)(4)(5).

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