



Athene USA

Locations: Iowa (HQ)
Industries: Insurance



RISK LEVEL:

DESCRIPTION:

Athene USA's parent company, Apollo Global Management, scored scored a 100 on the 2023 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a political stakeholder group. By complying with the HRC's controversial demands, the company increases the risk of dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. The company covers transgender-related medical costs for its employees and their children and provides specific sexual orientation and gender identity-based benefits. It also uses sex and gender ideology criteria in employee recruitment, vendor selection, marketing, and philanthropic support. Apollo Global Management 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. Athene USA does not provide viewpoint protections for its employees but has not publicly terminated business relationships based on views or beliefs. For these reasons, Athene USA receives a Higher Risk rating.

Corporate Weaponization

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

Apollo Global Management received a score of 100recruit'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, the company has not publicly terminated business relationships based on religious beliefs or political views. However, Athene USA has not publicly terminated business relationships due to religious beliefs or political views (3).

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

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

Apollo Global Management's HRC CEI rating indicates the company will not donate to non-religious charities unless they embrace controversial sexual identity policies (1)(2). Athene USA will not donate to "Religious organizations and entities that promote or discourage the observance or proselytization of religious beliefs" (3).

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

Apollo Global Management'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 gender transition guidelines for its employees and a specific benefits guide with a comprehensive explanation of transgender services funded by the



Corporate Governance and Public Policy

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

Apollo Global Management'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. Athene USA publishes a DEI policy, but it is not ideological in nature. "To ensure the diversity strategy of the organization is viewed as a legitimate process, our appointment of leaders will be made on merit" (3).

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

Apollo Global Management provides a benefits package for employees which covers travel/lodging costs for an abortion and transgender medical procedures for covered employees and dependents, including children (1)(2)(3)(4). Apollo Global Management's 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 (5)(6). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company increases health care costs and risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders.

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

High Risk

Apollo Global Management's HRC 2023 CEI rating indicates 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. Athene USA does not operate a PAC at this time and has not lobbied for ideological purposes (3)(4)(5).

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