



Wakefern Food Corporation

Subsidiaries: ShopRite, PriceRite, The Fresh Grocer, Dearborn Market, Gourmet Garage, Fairway Market

Locations: New Jersey (HQ)

Industries: Food and Staples Retailing

RISK LEVEL:



Lower Risk

DESCRIPTION:

Wakefern Food Corporation does not yield to political activism in shaping corporate governance, preventing initiatives that potentially alienate consumers, divide employees, and harm shareholders. The company implements race and identity-based policies that replace merit, excellence, and integrity with preferential treatment and outcomes. Overall, Wakefern does not embrace corporate initiatives that redirect its central focus from business goals to partisan policies and divisive issues. This approach protects free exercise, free speech, and free enterprise.

Corporate Weaponization

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

Wakefern Food Corporation has not publicly canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors based on political views or religious beliefs (1).

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

Wakefern Food Corporation does not appear to discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or beliefs. The company prioritizes funding organizations involved in hunger, poverty, health and wellness, and education (1).

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

Wakefern Food Corporation does not publish a nondiscrimination policy (1).

Corporate Governance and Public Policy

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

In 2023, Wakefern held a summit on supplier diversity, encouraging a more diverse array of suppliers to apply for opportunities for long-term partnerships (1). Otherwise, there are no publicly known cases of Wakefern using its reputation to advance ideological

causes or policies [\(2\)](#).

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

Wakefern Food Corporation does not use corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies [\(1\)](#).

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

Wakefern Food Corporation has not used its PAC donations or lobbying for ideological purposes [\(1\)](#)/[\(2\)](#)/[\(3\)](#).

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