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Locations: Massachusetts (HQ)

Industries: Consumer Durables and Apparel, Retailing

RISK LEVEL:**Lower Risk****DESCRIPTION:**

Talbots does not yield to political activism in shaping corporate governance, preventing initiatives that potentially alienate consumers, divide employees, and harm shareholders. The company elevates merit, excellence, and integrity ahead of race and identity-based policies. Talbots 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**

Talbots 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**

Talbots does not discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or beliefs. Talbots partners with Dress for Success, whose mission is "to empower women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and the development tools to help women thrive in work and in life" (1)(2). Talbots also partners with Dana-Farber Cancer Institute to honor its commitment to supporting women's health and wellness (3). Talbots does not have an employee matching program at this time (4).

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

Talbots does not provide viewpoint protections for its employees (1).

Corporate Governance and Public Policy

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

Talbots has not supported ideological causes or policies [\(1\)](#).

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

Talbots has not used corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies [\(1\)](#).

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

Talbots does not operate a PAC or engage in lobbying at this time [\(1\)](#)[\(2\)](#)[\(3\)](#).

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