

Kirby Corporation

Criteria for the Selection of Directors

Criteria applicable to the Board of Directors and Committees:

1. The Board and its Committees must satisfy the independence requirements of applicable law and the New York Stock Exchange.
2. The Board should have diverse experience at management or policy-making levels in areas relevant to Kirby's business.
3. A sufficient number of directors must have the requisite expertise to enable the Audit Committee as a whole to satisfy the requirements of applicable securities laws, rules and regulations and New York Stock Exchange standards.

Criteria to be considered in evaluating the qualifications of individual director candidates:

1. Reputation for character and integrity.
2. Business or professional experience.
3. Understanding of the marine transportation business, the upstream oil and gas business, other commodity businesses, the chemical and refining business, the distribution and services business and corporate strategy and finance, particularly for public companies.
4. Understanding of the responsibilities of directors of public companies.
5. Willingness to commit sufficient time to Kirby's business.
6. The number of other boards and board committees on which a person serves.
7. Independence of any particular constituency and the ability to represent the interests of all stockholders of Kirby rather than a particular interest group.