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**FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC.**

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**Stockholder Meeting Notice****Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
FactSet Research Systems Inc. Stockholder Meeting to be Held on December 19, 2017**

Under Securities and Exchange Commission rules, you are receiving this notice that the proxy materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders are available on the Internet. Follow the instructions below to view the materials and vote online or request a copy. The items to be voted on and the location of the annual meeting are on the reverse side. Your vote is important!

This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting. The proxy statement and Annual Report to shareholders are available at:

[www.envisionreports.com/FDS](http://www.envisionreports.com/FDS)

**Easy Online Access — A Convenient Way to View Proxy Materials and Vote**

When you go online to view materials, you can also vote your shares.

**Step 1:** Go to [www.envisionreports.com/FDS](http://www.envisionreports.com/FDS) to view the materials.

**Step 2:** Click on **Cast Your Vote** or **Request Materials**.

**Step 3:** Follow the instructions on the screen to log in.

**Step 4:** Make your selection as instructed on each screen to select delivery preferences and vote.

When you go online, you can also help the environment by consenting to receive electronic delivery of future materials.



**Obtaining a Copy of the Proxy Materials** – If you wish to receive a copy of these documents, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed on the reverse side on or before November 30, 2017, to facilitate timely delivery.



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## Stockholder Meeting Notice

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FactSet Research Systems Inc.'s Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on Tuesday, December 19, 2017, at our headquarters, 601 Merritt 7, Norwalk, Connecticut 06851, at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Proposals to be voted on at the meeting are listed below along with the Board of Directors' and Management's recommendations.

Management and the Board recommend a vote "FOR" Proposals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, and an "Annual" advisory vote as noted in Proposal 7.

1. To elect three directors to the Board of Directors;
2. To ratify the appointment of the accounting firm of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2018;
3. To approve, by non-binding vote, the compensation of the named executive officers;
4. To approve the FactSet Research Systems Inc. Stock Option and Award Plan, as Amended and Restated;
5. To approve the FactSet Research Systems Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option and Award Plan, as Amended and Restated;
6. To approve the FactSet Research Systems Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as Amended and Restated;
7. To recommend, by non-binding vote, the frequency of executive compensation voting.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on October 25, 2017, as the record date (the "Record Date") for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournment(s) thereof.

**PLEASE NOTE – YOU CANNOT VOTE BY RETURNING THIS NOTICE.** To vote your shares you must vote online or request a paper copy of the proxy materials to receive a proxy card. If you wish to attend and vote at the meeting, please bring this notice with you.

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Stockholders of record as of the Record Date are encouraged and cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting. Directions to attend the annual meeting where you may vote in person can be found on our website, [www.factset.com](http://www.factset.com).

**Meeting Location:**

FactSet Research Systems Inc.  
601 Merritt 7  
Norwalk, CT 06851



**Here's how to order a copy of the proxy materials and select a future delivery preference:**

**Paper copies:** Current and future paper delivery requests can be submitted via the telephone, Internet or email options below.

**Email copies:** Current and future email delivery requests must be submitted via the Internet following the instructions below. If you request an email copy of current materials you will receive an email with a link to the materials.

**PLEASE NOTE:** You must use the number in the shaded bar on the reverse side when requesting a set of proxy materials.

- **Internet** – Go to [www.envisionreports.com/FDS](http://www.envisionreports.com/FDS). Click Cast Your Vote or Request Materials. Follow the instructions to log in and order a copy of the current meeting materials and submit your preference for email or paper delivery of future meeting materials.
  - **Telephone** – Call us free of charge at 1-866-641-4276 and follow the instructions to log in and order a paper copy of the materials by mail for the current meeting. You can also submit a preference to receive a paper copy for future meetings.
  - **Email** – Send email to [investorvote@computershare.com](mailto:investorvote@computershare.com) with "Proxy Materials FactSet Research Systems Inc." in the subject line. Include in the message your full name and address, plus the number located in the shaded bar on the reverse, and state in the email that you want a paper copy of current meeting materials. You can also state your preference to receive a paper copy for future meetings.
- To facilitate timely delivery, all requests for a paper copy of the proxy materials must be received by November 30, 2017.

**\*\*\* Exercise Your *Right* to Vote \*\*\***  
**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on December 19, 2017**

**FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC.**

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting  
**For holders as of:** October 25, 2017  
**Date:** December 19, 2017 **Time:** 3:00 PM EST  
**Location:** 401 Merritt 7, 3rd Floor  
Norwalk, CT 06851

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

**See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.**

— Before You Vote —  
How to Access the Proxy Materials

**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

1. Annual Report 2. Notice & Proxy Statement

**How to View Online:**

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow → [XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX] (located on the following page) and visit: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)

**How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:**

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

- 1) **BY INTERNET:** [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)
- 2) **BY TELEPHONE:** 1-800-579-1639
- 3) **BY E-MAIL\*:** [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com)

\* If requesting materials by e-mail, please send a blank e-mail with the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow → [XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX] (located on the following page) in the subject line.

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before December 05, 2017 to facilitate timely delivery.

— How To Vote —

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** If you choose to vote these shares in person at the meeting, you must request a "legal proxy." To do so, please follow the instructions at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) or request a paper copy of the materials, which will contain the appropriate instructions. Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow → [XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX] available and follow the instructions.

**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a voting instruction form.

**Voting items**

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s):

1. Election of Directors

**Nominees**

1.1 Malcolm Frank

1.2 Robin A. Abrams

1.3 Laurie Siegel

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s):

- 2 To ratify the appointment of the accounting firm of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2018.
- 3 To approve, by non-binding vote, the compensation of our named executive officers.
- 4 To approve the FactSet Research Systems Inc. Stock Option and Award Plan, as Amended and Restated.
- 5 To approve the FactSet Research Systems Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option and Award Plan, as Amended and Restated.
- 6 To approve the FactSet Research Systems Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as Amended and Restated.

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**Voting Items Continued**

The Board of Directors recommends you vote 1 YEAR on the following proposal:

7 To recommend, by non-binding vote, the frequency of executive compensation votes.

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**NOTE:** Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

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**Voting Instructions**