

Mary McCabe Peirce announces departure from Scripps board, effective in May

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CINCINNATI – Mary McCabe Peirce, 68, a great-granddaughter of the company's founder, will retire from The E.W. Scripps Company's board of directors when her term expires in May.

Peirce has served as a director since 2008. She also has served as a trustee of The Edward W. Scripps Trust since 2008. The trust controlled The E.W. Scripps Company from 1922 until the death of Robert P. Scripps, a grandson of the founder, in 2012.

"Mary stands tall among those Scripps family leaders who have played direct roles in the long success of The E.W. Scripps Company," said Rich Boehne, Scripps chairman, president and CEO. "She has skillfully advocated for strategies that benefit all shareholders while, at the same time, being an unyielding supporter of the company's journalistic mission to give light so the people can find their own way. Our board and employees will truly miss her."

Peirce also serves as a director of Scripps Networks Interactive, which was spun off from The E.W. Scripps Company in 2008.

She is a long-time advocate of health and youth-related community services. In Sarasota, Florida, where she lives with her husband, Dave Peirce, she has served on the board of Project Rebound, which provides education for disadvantaged and court-remanded youth. She also has served on the board of Visiting Nurse Services of Long Island, New York, and was a trustee of Out of Door Academy, an educational institution in Sarasota.

She is the daughter of Margaret Scripps Buzzelli, a granddaughter of the company founder, and Charles McCabe, who was a noted columnist for The San Francisco Chronicle.

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