THE ACCELERATED GROWTH FORUM

» A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY LIMITED TO FIVE WOMEN CEOS

This one year program is a combination of peer interaction and one-on-one mentoring, bringing together women CEOs who have guided their businesses to maturity and are seeking accelerated growth. This personal board, or Brain Trust, helps its members navigate a wide range of issues faced by CEOs at this stage of development, including:

- Board relations
- Organizational structure
- Financing alternatives
- Senior team management
- Strategic plans
- Customer issues

» THE IDEAL MEMBER OF THE FORUM

- Has now or has had responsibility for an established company up to $100+M in revenue business or division
- Has the desire and perceives the market potential for accelerated growth
- Is eager to learn from comparably situated women CEOs and to share her experience and wisdom with them
- Commits to consistent attendance at Forum meetings

» FORMAT

The Forum meeting schedule is determined by group consensus, but typically is held every four to six weeks for half-day sessions. Meeting locations are selected based on interests of the members. Arrangements will be made for electronic participation for members with conflicting travel schedules. Based on group interest and electronic feasibility, meetings by conference telephone means may be substituted for one or more in-person meetings.

» INVESTMENT

Membership in the forum is $2,150 per year and includes an annual TCI membership valued at $395. This membership grants free access to educational seminars, member discounts, invitation to members-only events, inclusion in member directory and opportunities to connect with the larger TCI member community.
FORUM FACILITATORS

PAMELA REEVE
Pamela Reeve is currently Vice Chair of The Commonwealth Institute. Pam served as CEO of Lightbridge, Inc. from 1993 – 2004, having joined the founding group as President & COO in 1989, taking the company public in 1996. Prior to joining Lightbridge, Pam spent eleven years at the Boston Consulting Group, one of the world’s leading management consulting firms. Pam was chosen as the 2000 Entrepreneur of the Year in Software and Technology by Ernst & Young and 2002 CEO of the Year by the Massachusetts Telecom Council.

Pam has served as lead Director of American Tower Corporation since 2004, and is a Director of Frontier Communications, Sonus Networks, and Delta Dental Services of Massachusetts. Pam earned her MBA degree, with distinction, from the Harvard Business School, and received her undergraduate degree, with honors, from the University of Georgia.
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LAUREN JENNINGS
Lauren Jennings is a corporate lawyer and executive business advisor, currently of-counsel at Posternak Blankstein & Lund LLP. Previously, Lauren served as Managing Partner of Posternak for eight years, and was a member of a TCI Forum during this tenure. Her engagements as legal counsel and business advisor include equity and debt financings, strategic planning and structuring relationships, mergers and acquisitions and general corporate representation. Lauren was named one of the “Top 10 Corporate Attorneys” in Women’s Business in 2005, and 2006 and 2010.

Lauren graduated cum laude with a JD from Harvard Law School and Phi Beta Kappa and cum laude with a B.A. from Harvard College. Lauren currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of The Commonwealth Institute, is the Chair of the Board of Island Readers and Writers in Maine, and past Chair of the Board of the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra.
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My TCI forum provided a safe environment in which to try out ideas, think through issues and get wise advice. My forum members challenged my thinking, made me look at things differently and helped me solve business challenges. And I became both a better CEO and board member of other organizations by listening and trying to help my fellow forum members with the issues and challenges they faced.

Fay Donohue, President
Dental Services of Massachusetts

ABOUT THE COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE
Since 1997, The Commonwealth Institute (TCI) has helped thousands of women grow their businesses through membership and programming. TCI has gained the reputation of being a leading women’s organization in Massachusetts and South Florida. Members include women entrepreneurs, CEOs, Presidents, Executive Directors and Senior Corporate executives running established businesses. TCI forums feature professionally facilitated peer mentoring. Programming focuses on relevant business topics and includes educational seminars, topic-specific programming, Table Talk small gatherings, custom programs, and Signature Events such as our “Top 100 Women-Led Businesses” celebration.