

# Laura Ladd

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Laura has 27 years of experience in finance, strategy, and operations across a range of industries. She serves as the president, trustee, fiduciary and/or director of several family-held multi-generational trusts, which control several operating businesses, private equity holdings, and real estate investments across the U.S. She directs investments, sales, staffing, legal, tax optimization and compliance. She is also an independent director and trustee of a multi-generation family office, wealth management and trust company.

She has served as the Chair of the Board for the Wyoming Retirement System since 2015, prior to which she chaired the Investment Committee for nearly 6 years. The system is responsible for the administration and investment of \$8.5 billion in assets under management and the retirement benefits for over 55,000 Wyoming residents.

Laura was on staff as an Energy and Economics adviser to Wyoming Governor Dave Freudenthal, and has subsequently contributed to Wyoming's initiatives in carbon capture and wind energy economics. She has testified as an expert witness regarding utility rates and financial assurance mechanisms. She is now an advisor to Powder River Energy Corp.

Laura is also the Chair of the Board of CLIMB Wyoming and a member of the Advisory Board of Compass Working Capital. Both of these non-profits empower women to become financially self-sufficient. She is an emeritus board member of the Wyoming Women's Foundation.

Laura holds an MBA from Wharton and a BS in business *cum laude* from Pepperdine. She and her husband, Ted, have lived in Wilson, Wyoming for almost 20 years.