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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS
October 20, 2009**

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Synaptics Incorporated, a Delaware corporation, will be held at 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, October 20, 2009, at our principal executive offices located at 3120 Scott Boulevard, Santa Clara, California 95054 for the following purposes:

1. To elect three directors, each to serve for a three-year term expiring in 2012.
2. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as the independent auditor of our company for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

The foregoing items of business are more fully described in the proxy statement accompanying this notice.

Only stockholders of record at the close of business on August 28, 2009 are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting.

All stockholders are cordially invited to attend the meeting and vote in person. To assure your representation at the meeting, however, you are urged to vote by proxy as soon as possible over the Internet or by phone as instructed in the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials or, if you receive paper copies of the proxy materials by mail, you can also vote by mail by following the instructions on the proxy card. You may vote in person at the meeting even if you have previously returned a proxy.

Sincerely,

Santa Clara, California
September 10, 2009

Thomas J. Tiernan
President and Chief Executive Officer

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**SYNAPTICS INCORPORATED
3120 Scott Blvd.
Santa Clara, California 95054**

PROXY STATEMENT

VOTING AND OTHER MATTERS

General

The accompanying proxy is solicited on behalf of Synaptics Incorporated, a Delaware corporation, by our Board of Directors for use at our Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., or at any adjournment thereof, for the purposes set forth in this proxy statement and in the accompanying meeting notice. The meeting will be held at our principal executive offices located at 3120 Scott Boulevard, Santa Clara, California 95054.

In accordance with rules adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, that allow companies to furnish their proxy materials over the Internet, we are mailing a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials instead of a paper copy of our proxy statement and our 2009 Annual Report to most of our stockholders. The Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials contains instructions on how to access those documents and vote over the Internet. The Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials also contains instructions on how to request a paper copy of our proxy materials, including our proxy statement, our 2009 Annual Report, and a form of proxy card. We believe this process will allow us to provide our stockholders the information they need in a more timely manner, while reducing the environmental impact and lowering our costs of printing and delivering the proxy materials.

These proxy solicitation materials were first released on or about September 10, 2009 to all stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting.

Voting Securities and Voting Rights

Stockholders of record at the close of business on August 28, 2009, which we have set as the record date, are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting. On the record date, there were issued and outstanding 33,962,974 shares of our common stock, \$0.001 par value per share.

The presence, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the total number of shares of common stock outstanding constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business at the meeting. Each stockholder voting at the meeting, either in person or by proxy, may cast one vote per share of common stock held on all matters to be voted on at the meeting. Assuming that a quorum is present, the three persons receiving the highest number of for votes of common stock of our company present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote (a plurality) will be elected as class 1 directors for three-year terms expiring in 2012; and the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of our common stock present in person or by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote is required for the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as the independent auditor of our company for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.

Votes cast by proxy or in person at the meeting will be tabulated by the election inspector appointed for the meeting and will determine whether a quorum is present. The election inspector will treat abstentions as shares that are present and entitled to vote for purposes of determining the presence of a quorum, but as unvoted for purposes of determining the approval of any matter submitted to the stockholders for a vote. If a broker indicates on the proxy

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that it does not have discretionary authority as to certain shares to vote on a particular matter, those shares will not be considered as present and entitled to vote with respect to that matter.

Voting of Proxies

When a proxy is properly executed and returned, the shares it represents will be voted at the meeting as directed. If no specification is indicated, the shares will be voted (1) for the election of each of the nominees for directors set forth in this proxy statement; (2) to ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP, an independent public accounting firm, as the independent auditor of our company for the year ending June 30, 2010; and (3) as the persons specified in the proxy deem advisable on any such other matters as may come before the meeting.

Revocability of Proxies

Any stockholder giving a proxy may revoke the proxy at any time before its use by furnishing to us either a written notice of revocation, by furnishing to us a duly executed proxy bearing a later date, or by attending the meeting and voting in person.

Solicitation

We will bear the cost of this solicitation. In addition, we may reimburse brokerage firms and other persons representing beneficial owners of shares for expenses incurred in forwarding solicitation materials to such beneficial owners. Proxies also may be solicited by certain of our directors and officers, personally or by telephone or e-mail, without additional compensation.

Annual Report and Other Matters

Our 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders, which was made available to stockholders with or preceding this proxy statement, contains financial and other information about our company, but is not incorporated into this proxy statement and is not to be considered a part of these proxy soliciting materials or subject to Regulations 14A or 14C or to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or Exchange Act. The information contained in the Report of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors and Audit Committee Report shall not be deemed filed with the SEC or subject to Regulations 14A or 14C or to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act.

Through our website, www.synaptics.com, we make available free of charge all of our SEC filings, including our proxy statements, our annual reports on Form 10-K, our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, and our current reports on Form 8-K, as well as Form 3, Form 4, and Form 5 Reports of our directors, officers, and principal stockholders, together with amendments to these reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a), 15(d), or 16 of the Exchange Act. We will also provide upon written request, without charge to each stockholder of record as of the record date, a copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 as filed with the SEC. Any exhibits listed in the Form 10-K report also will be furnished upon request at the actual expense we incur in furnishing such exhibits. Any such requests should be directed to our corporate secretary at our executive offices set forth in this proxy statement.

Our fiscal year is the 52- or 53-week period ending on the last Saturday in June. The fiscal periods presented in this proxy statement were 52-week periods for the years ended June 28, 2008 and June 27, 2009, and a 53-week period for the year ended June 30, 2007. For ease of presentation, the accompanying disclosures have been shown as ending on June 30, 2007, 2008, and 2009. The numbers included in this proxy statement also reflect the retroactive effect of the 3-for-2 stock split effected as a stock dividend to each stockholder of record on August 15, 2008 and paid on August 29, 2008.

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Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that the number of directors shall be fixed from time to time by resolution of our Board of Directors. The Board of Directors has fixed the number of directors at seven. The directors are divided into three classes, with one class standing for election each year for a three-year term. The Board of Directors has nominated Jeffrey D. Buchanan, Keith B. Geeslin, and James L. Whims for election as class 1 directors for three-year terms expiring in 2012 or until their successors have been elected and qualified.

Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy holders will vote the proxies received by them for the nominees named above. Messrs. Buchanan, Geeslin, and Whims currently are directors of our company. In the event that any of Messrs. Buchanan, Geeslin, or Whims are unable or decline to serve as directors at the time of the meeting, the proxies will be voted for any nominees designated by the current Board of Directors to fill the vacancies. It is not expected that any of Messrs. Buchanan, Geeslin, or Whims will be unable or will decline to serve as a director.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote for the nominees named herein.

The following table sets forth certain information regarding our directors and the nominees for directors:

Name	Age	Position	Term Expires
Francis F. Lee	57	Chairman of the Board	2011
Thomas J. Tiernan	46	President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director	2010
Jeffrey D. Buchanan	53	Director	2009
Nelson C. Chan	48	Director	2011
Keith B. Geeslin	56	Director	2009
Richard L. Sanquini	74	Director	2011
James L. Whims	55	Director	2009

Francis F. Lee has been the Chairman of the Board of Directors of our company since July 2009 and a director of our company since December 1998. Mr. Lee served as Chief Executive Officer of our company from December 1998 until July 2009 and President of our company from December 1998 to July 2008. Mr. Lee was a consultant from August 1998 to November 1998. From May 1995 until July 1998, Mr. Lee served as General Manager of NSM, a Hong Kong-based joint venture between National Semiconductor Corporation and S. Megga. Mr. Lee held a variety of executive positions for National Semiconductor from 1988 until August 1995. These positions included Vice President of Communication and Computing Group, Vice President of Quality and Reliability, Director of Standard Logic Business Unit, and various other operations and engineering management positions. Mr. Lee holds a Bachelor of Science degree, with honors, in Electrical Engineering from the University of California at Davis.

Thomas J. Tiernan has been the Chief Executive Officer of our company since July 2009 and the President and a director of our company since July 2008. Mr. Tiernan served as Chief Operating Officer of our company from July 2008 to July 2009, as Executive Vice President and General Manager of our company from July 2007 until July 2008, and as Senior Vice President of our company from March 2006 until July 2007. Prior to joining our company, Mr. Tiernan served as Vice President and General Manager of Symbol Technologies Mobile Computing Division. From 1985 to 2004, Mr. Tiernan held various management and executive positions at Hewlett-Packard, including running the Network Storage business in the Americas, the Enterprise Systems business in Asia Pacific, and the PC business in Japan. Mr. Tiernan holds a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering from California State Polytechnic University and a Masters of Science in Computer Engineering from Santa Clara University.

Jeffrey D. Buchanan has been a director of our company since September 2005. Mr. Buchanan has served as a Senior Managing Director of Cornelius Korte Shum LLC, a mergers and acquisition firm, since August 2009. Mr. Buchanan served as a Senior Managing Director of Alare Capital Securities, L.L.C., a middle-market investment

bank and registered broker-dealer, from November 2006 until July 2009. From 2005 to 2006, Mr. Buchanan was a principal of Echo Advisors, Inc., a corporate consulting and advisory firm focusing on mergers, acquisitions, and strategic planning. Mr. Buchanan served as Executive Vice President of Three-Five Systems, Inc.,

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a publicly traded electronic manufacturing services company, from June 1998 until February 2005; as Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of that company from June 1996 until February 2005; and as Secretary of that company from May 1996 until February 2005. Mr. Buchanan served as Vice President Finance, Administration, and Legal of that company from June 1996 until July 1998 and as Vice President Legal and Administration of that company from May 1996 to June 1996. Mr. Buchanan is a member of the Board of Directors and the Chairman of the Audit Committee of Smith & Wesson Holding Corporation, a Nasdaq Global Select Market company that is the nation's largest producer of firearms. Mr. Buchanan is also a director of NuVision U.S., Inc., a privately owned display company. Mr. Buchanan holds a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from Arizona State University, a Juris Doctor degree in law from the University of Arizona, and a Masters of Law degree in Tax from the University of Florida.

Nelson C. Chan has been a director of our company since February 2007. From December 2006 until August 2008, Mr. Chan served as Chief Executive Officer of Magellan, a leader in the consumer, survey, GIS, and OEM GPS navigation and positioning markets. From 1992 through 2006, Mr. Chan served in various senior management positions with SanDisk Corporation, including most recently as Executive Vice President and General Manager, Consumer Business. From 1983 to 1992, Mr. Chan held marketing and engineering positions at Chips and Technologies, Signetics, and Delco Electronics. Mr. Chan is a member of the Board of Directors of Silicon Laboratories Inc., a Nasdaq Global Select Market company, which is a fabless, analog-intensive mixed-signal semiconductor company. He also sits on the board of several private companies. Mr. Chan holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering from the University of California at Santa Barbara and a Masters of Business Administration degree from Santa Clara University.

Keith B. Geeslin has been a director of our company since 1986. Mr. Geeslin has been a General Partner of Francisco Partners, a firm specializing in structured investments in technology companies undergoing strategic, technological, and operational inflection points, since January 2004. From 2001 until October 2003, Mr. Geeslin served as Managing General Partner of the Sprout Group, a venture capital firm, with which he became associated in 1984. In addition, Mr. Geeslin served as a general or limited partner in a series of investment funds associated with the Sprout Group, a division of DLJ Capital Corporation, which is a subsidiary of Credit Suisse (USA), Inc. Mr. Geeslin is a member of the Board of Directors of Blue Coat Systems, Inc., a public company that provides hardware and software products to secure and accelerate delivery of business applications over wide area networks and the internet; CommVault Systems, Inc., a public company that provides data management software applications; and Hypercom Corp., a public company that designs, manufactures, and sells electronic payment solutions. Mr. Geeslin holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering and a Masters of Science degree in Engineering and Economic Systems from Stanford University and a Masters of Arts degree in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics from Oxford University.

Richard L. Sanquini has been a director of our company since 1994. Mr. Sanquini is a consultant in the semiconductor industry. Mr. Sanquini is the former Chairman of the Board of PortalPlayer, Inc., a public company that was acquired by NVIDIA Corporation in January 2007. Mr. Sanquini retired from National Semiconductor in 1999, after a 20-year tenure, where he managed key business units, including microprocessors and microcontrollers, served as Chief Technology Officer, managed business development and intellectual property protection, and was Chairman of the Board for two China joint ventures. From March 1989 through December 1989, he served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Information Storage Devices. Prior to National Semiconductor, Mr. Sanquini served in various executive positions at RCA. Mr. Sanquini currently serves on the Board of Directors of ZiLOG, Inc., a public company that is a fabless semiconductor supplier of microprocessor and microcontroller semiconductor devices, or micrologic products. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the following private companies: LitePoint Corp., SiPort, G2 Microsystems, and R2 Semiconductor. Mr. Sanquini holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the Milwaukee School of Engineering, Wisconsin.

James L. Whims has been a director of our company since October 2007. Since 1996, Mr. Whims has been a Managing Director of TechFund Capital I, L.P., TechFund Capital II, L.P., and since 2001, TechFund Capital Europe, venture capital firms concentrating on high-technology enterprises. Since 1997, Mr. Whims has been a director of THQ, Inc., a leading independent developer and publisher of interactive entertainment software, which is listed on the

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Nasdaq Global Select Market. Mr. Whims also serves on the boards of numerous private companies, including Tag Networks, NBX, and Smith and Tinker. Mr. Whims was Executive Vice President of Sony Computer Entertainment of America from 1994 to 1996, and Mr. Whims was Executive Vice President of The Software

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Toolworks Inc. from 1990 to 1994. Mr. Whims holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Communications from Northwestern University and a Masters of Business Administration in Finance and Marketing from the University of Arizona.

Information Relating to Corporate Governance and the Board of Directors

Our Board of Directors has determined, after considering all the relevant facts and circumstances, that Messrs. Buchanan, Chan, Geeslin, Sanquini, and Whims are independent directors, as independence is defined by Nasdaq, because they have no relationship with us that would interfere with their exercise of independent judgment. Mr. Lee and Mr. Tiernan are not independent directors of our company because of their past or current positions as executive officers of our company. There are no family relationships among any of our directors or officers.

Our bylaws authorize our Board of Directors to appoint, from among its members, one or more committees, each consisting of one or more directors. Our Board of Directors has established three standing committees: an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee, and a Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee. The members of our Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, and Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee consist entirely of independent directors.

Our Board of Directors has appointed Mr. Sanquini as our Lead Director. In that role, Mr. Sanquini helps to facilitate communication and interaction between the Board of Directors and management.

Our Board of Directors has adopted charters for the Audit, Compensation, and Nominations and Corporate Governance Committees describing the authority and responsibilities delegated to each committee by the board. Our Board of Directors has also adopted Corporate Governance Guidelines, a Code of Conduct, and a Code of Ethics for the CEO and Senior Financial Officers. We post on our website at www.synaptics.com, the charters of our Audit, Compensation, and Nominations and Corporate Governance Committees; our Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Conduct, and Code of Ethics for the CEO and Senior Financial Officers, and any amendments or waivers thereto; and any other corporate governance materials contemplated by SEC or Nasdaq regulations. These documents are also available in print to any stockholder requesting a copy in writing from our corporate secretary at our executive offices set forth in this proxy statement.

We regularly schedule executive sessions of our Board of Directors at which non-management directors meet without the presence or participation of management. The Chairman of the Board of Directors presides at such executive sessions. We also schedule meetings of the independent directors, which are presided by the Lead Director.

Interested parties may communicate with our Board of Directors or specific members of our Board of Directors, including our independent directors and the members of our various board committees, by submitting a letter addressed to the Board of Directors of Synaptics Incorporated, c/o any specified individual director or directors at the company address listed herein. Any such letters are forwarded to the indicated directors.

The Board of Directors held a total of five meetings during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. The Audit Committee held five meetings during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009; the Compensation Committee held a total of four meetings during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009; and the Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee held one meeting during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. Each of our directors attended at least 75% of the aggregate of (1) the total number of meetings of our Board of Directors held during fiscal 2009, and (2) the total number of meetings held by all committees of our Board of Directors on which such person served during fiscal 2009.

We encourage our directors to attend each annual meeting of stockholders. To that end, and to the extent reasonably practical, we generally schedule a meeting of our Board of Directors on the same day as our annual meeting of stockholders. Two of our directors attended our annual meeting of stockholders last year.

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The Audit Committee

The purpose of the Audit Committee is to oversee the financial and reporting processes of our company and the audits of the financial statements of our company and to provide assistance to our Board of Directors with respect to the oversight of the integrity of the financial statements of our company, our company's compliance with legal and regulatory matters, the independent auditor's qualifications and independence, and the performance of our company's independent auditor. The primary responsibilities of the Audit Committee are set forth in its charter and include various matters with respect to the oversight of our company's accounting and financial reporting process and audits of the financial statements of our company on behalf of our Board of Directors. The Audit Committee also selects the independent auditor to conduct the annual audit of the financial statements of our company; reviews the proposed scope of such audit; reviews accounting and financial controls of our company with the independent auditor and our financial accounting staff; and reviews and approves transactions between us and our directors, officers, and their affiliates.

The Audit Committee currently consists of Messrs. Buchanan, Chan, and Whims, each of whom is an independent director of our company under Nasdaq rules as well as under rules adopted by the SEC pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. The Board of Directors has determined that Mr. Buchanan (whose background is detailed above) qualifies as an audit committee financial expert in accordance with applicable rules and regulations of the SEC. Mr. Buchanan serves as the Chairman of the Audit Committee.

The Compensation Committee

The purposes of the Compensation Committee include determining, or recommending to our Board of Directors for determination, the compensation of the Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers of our company and discharging the responsibilities of our Board of Directors relating to compensation programs of our company. The Compensation Committee currently consists of Messrs. Geeslin, Sanquini, and Whims with Mr. Geeslin serving as Chairman.

The Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee

The purposes of the Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee include the selection or recommendation to the Board of Directors of nominees to stand for election as directors at each election of directors, the oversight of the selection and composition of committees of the Board of Directors, the oversight of the evaluations of the Board of Directors and management, and the development and recommendation to the Board of Directors of a set of corporate governance principles applicable to our company. The Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee currently consists of Messrs. Chan, Geeslin, and Sanquini, with Mr. Chan serving as Chairman.

The Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee will consider persons recommended by stockholders for inclusion as nominees for election to our Board of Directors if the names, biographical data, and qualifications of such persons are submitted in writing in a timely manner addressed and delivered to our company's corporate secretary at the company address listed herein. The Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee identifies and evaluates nominees for our Board of Directors, including nominees recommended by stockholders, based on numerous factors it considers appropriate, some of which may include strength of character, mature judgment, career specialization, relevant technical skills, diversity, and the extent to which the nominee would fill a present need on our Board of Directors. As discussed above, the members of the Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee are independent, as that term is defined by Nasdaq.

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COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Overview

Our Board of Directors has appointed a Compensation Committee, consisting exclusively of independent directors. The Compensation Committee is authorized to determine and approve, or make recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect to, the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers and to grant or recommend the grant of stock-based compensation to our Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers under our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended.

The compensation program for executive officers consists primarily of base salary, performance-based bonuses, and long-term incentives in the form of stock-based compensation, including stock options and deferred stock units. Executives also participate in other benefit plans, including medical and retirement plans, which generally are available to all regular full-time employees of our company.

Our philosophy is to pay base salaries to executives at levels that enable us to attract, motivate, and retain highly qualified executives. We establish annual bonus programs designed to reward individuals for performance based primarily on our financial results as well as the achievement of personal and corporate objectives that contribute to our long-term success in building stockholder value.

The committee generally recommends and the board generally approves base salary levels for executive officers of our company at the beginning of each fiscal year, and the committee recommends and the board approves bonuses at the end of each fiscal year based upon the performance of our company and our executives.

Philosophy

The goals of our executive compensation program are as follows:

to attract, retain, and motivate highly qualified executives;

to reflect our philosophy of pay-for-performance;

to align compensation to the interests of our company as a whole and its stockholders; and

to recognize corporate stewardship and fiscal responsibility.

Role of the Compensation Committee and Chief Executive Officer

The Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors currently determines the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and our other executive officers. Annually, our Compensation Committee evaluates the performance of our Chief Executive Officer and determines the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer in light of the goals and objectives of our compensation program for that year. Our Compensation Committee together with our Chief Executive Officer annually assess the performance of our other executive officers. Based on recommendations from our Chief Executive Officer and the determinations of our Compensation Committee, our Compensation Committee determines the compensation of our other executive officers.

Compensation Surveys and Compensation Consultants

In determining compensation levels, we regularly review compensation levels in our geographical area, compensation levels of companies that we deem to be similar to our company regardless of their location, competitive factors to enable us to attract executives from other companies, and compensation levels that we deem appropriate to retain and motivate our executives. From time to time, we retain the services of independent compensation consultants to review a wide variety of factors relevant to executive compensation, trends in executive compensation, and the identification of relevant peer companies. The Compensation Committee makes all determinations regarding the engagement, fees, and services of our compensation consultants, and our compensation consultants report directly to our Compensation Committee.

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Base Salary and Annual Bonuses

The committee determines salaries for executive officers, including the Chief Executive Officer, based on the overall performance of our company, an evaluation of individual executive performance, and industry data. The committee determines the base salaries for our executives, other than the Chief Executive Officer, in conjunction with the recommendations of the Chief Executive Officer. The committee's evaluation of the recommendations of the Chief Executive Officer considers the same factors outlined above and is subjective, with no particular weight assigned to any one factor. Base salaries for the executive officers were increased for fiscal 2009 based on the above factors.

Annual bonuses are intended to provide incentive compensation to key officers and employees who contribute substantially to the success of our company. The granting of such awards is based upon the achievement of company performance objectives and individual performance objectives. After the first half of the year and upon the close of each fiscal year, executive management and the committee conduct an assessment of company and individual performance achieved versus company and individual performance objectives. This assessment may include individual responsibility, performance, and compensation level. Simultaneously, the Board of Directors conducts an assessment of our company's overall performance to date, with emphasis on operating income. The combination of these factors determines any incentive bonuses to be paid.

Based on both individual performances and the assessment of our company's overall performance in fiscal 2009, bonuses were awarded to our named executive officers as set forth under Executive Compensation Summary Compensation Table.

Stock-Based Compensation Grants

Our company grants stock-based awards, including stock options and deferred stock units, periodically to our employees to provide additional incentive to work to maximize long-term total return to stockholders. Under each incentive compensation plan, the Board of Directors is specified to act as the plan administrator, although the Board of Directors has authorized the Compensation Committee to make decisions regarding grants of stock-based awards to senior officers and employees of and consultants to our company. In general, stock-based awards are granted to employees at the onset of employment. If, in the opinion of the plan administrator, the performance of an existing employee merits an increase in the number of stock-based awards held, however, the plan administrator may elect to issue additional stock-based awards, such as additional stock options and deferred stock units, to that employee. The vesting period on grants is designed to encourage holders to continue in the employ of our company. The vesting schedule for stock options is generally 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 1/48th of the total shares each month thereafter, and the vesting schedule for deferred stock units is generally 25% approximately one year after the date of grant and 1/16th of the total shares each quarter thereafter. Stock options granted to our employees generally are incentive stock options, or qualified options under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code, subject to calendar year vesting limitations under Section 422(d) with any balance being nonqualified stock options. In fiscal 2009, we granted stock options to certain executive officers and other employees, including those to our named executive officers as set forth under Executive Compensation Grants of Plan-Based Awards.

Other Benefits

Our company provides various employee benefit programs to executive officers, including medical, dental, vision, life, and disability insurance benefits, a 401(k) retirement savings plan, and an employee stock purchase plan. These benefits are generally available to all regular full-time employees of our company.

Deductibility of Executive Compensation

We take into account the tax effect of our compensation. Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code currently limits the deductibility for federal income tax purposes of compensation in excess of \$1.0 million paid to each of any publicly held corporation's chief executive officer and three other most highly compensated executive officers (excluding the chief financial officer). We may deduct certain types of compensation paid to any of these individuals only to the extent that such compensation during any fiscal year does not exceed \$1.0 million. Qualifying performance-based compensation is not subject to the deduction limits if certain requirements are met.

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We account for stock-based employee compensation arrangements in accordance with the provisions of SFAS 123R. In determining stock-based awards, we consider the potential expense of those grants under SFAS 123R and the impact on our earnings per share.

Policies for the Pricing and Timing of Stock-Based Grants

Generally, we provide for effective dates and set the price of all stock-based awards at the closing price of our stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on the second business day after each quarterly earnings release. We approve stock-based compensation at regularly scheduled meetings each year. In the case of new hires, vesting start dates are determined by the date the employee reports for service.

Fiscal 2009 Incentive Compensation Program

In connection with our 2009 incentive compensation program, we reviewed the Executive Radford Benchmark Survey, a leading international compensation survey covering more than a thousand high-tech companies. Examples of such companies included in the Executive Radford Benchmark Survey are Akamai Technologies, Avocent, Cymer, Epicor Software, F5 Network, Mattson Technology, MKS Instruments, Novatel Wireless, Opnext, Red Hat, Silicon Image, Silicon Laboratories, SIRF Technology Holdings, Super Micro Computer, and TriQuint Semiconductor. We emphasized a comparison with technology companies with comparable revenue in our geographical area. In addition, we evaluated our compensation levels with those of high-growth technology companies with revenue of between \$200 million and \$1.0 billion.

Our incentive compensation targets for our executive officers are approved annually by the Board of Directors. Executive officer incentive compensation targets are subject to change based on the Compensation Committee's periodic reviews of industry and competitive data, changes in individual responsibility, and our compensation philosophy. The annual target cash incentive compensation pool each year is established based on the aggregate cash incentive targets of all eligible participants, including our executive officers. As approved by the Board of Directors at the beginning of fiscal 2009, the actual bonus pool for the year was subject to adjustment based on company performance relative to the target operating profit approved by the Board of Directors at the beginning of the year. The adjustment to the pool was equal to 12.5% of the amount, if any, by which our actual operating profit for fiscal 2009 exceeded or fell short of the target operating profit level. The bonus amount, if any, to be received from the available bonus pool by employees participating in the fiscal 2009 incentive compensation program was determined based on the participant's position and responsibility level within our company and an assessment of the individual's performance. In the case of our executive officers, the performance is reviewed by the Compensation Committee which then makes a recommendation for approval by the Board of Directors.

For fiscal 2009, our stock-based incentive compensation grants for executive officers took the form of grants of stock options as was the case for fiscal 2008 rather than a combination of stock options and deferred stock units as was the case for fiscal 2007. The vesting schedule for stock option awards is generally 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 1/48th each month thereafter, and the vesting schedule for deferred stock unit awards is generally 25% approximately one year after the grant date and 1/16th of the total shares each quarter thereafter. The vesting schedules are designed to encourage holders to continue in the employ of our company. The stock underlying deferred stock units is scheduled to be delivered on quarterly delivery dates, which coincide with the quarterly vesting dates. Each officer forfeits the unvested portion, if any, of the stock options or deferred stock units if the officer's service to our company is terminated for any reason, except as may otherwise be determined by the Board of Directors. For Messrs. Lee, Tiernan, and Knittel, the vesting on any unvested stock options or deferred stock units they hold will accelerate upon a change in control of our company.

During fiscal 2009, the committee evaluated the factors described above in determining the base salary and incentive compensation of Francis F. Lee, our Chief Executive Officer during fiscal 2009. We paid Mr. Lee a base salary during fiscal 2009 of \$425,000 and a bonus of \$625,778 under our incentive compensation program for fiscal 2009.

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**REPORT OF THE
COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Our compensation committee has reviewed and discussed with management the Compensation Discussion and Analysis included in this proxy statement and, based on such review and discussions, the compensation committee recommended to our Board of Directors that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this proxy statement.

Respectfully submitted,
Keith B. Geeslin, Chairman
Richard L. Sanquini
James L. Whims

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During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, our Compensation Committee consisted of Messrs. Geeslin, Sanquini, and Whims. None of these individuals had any contractual or other relationships with us during the fiscal year except as directors.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**Summary of Cash and Other Compensation**

The following table sets forth, for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, June 30, 2008, and June 30, 2007, information regarding compensation for services in all capacities to us and our subsidiaries received by our Chief Executive Officer, our Chief Financial Officer, and our three other most highly compensated executive officers whose aggregate cash compensation exceeded \$100,000.

SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary	Bonus	Stock Awards	Option Awards	Change in Pension Value		All Other Compensation	Total
						Non-Equity Incentive Compensation	Deferred Compensation Earnings		
(a)	(b)	\$(1) (c)	\$(2) (d)	\$(3) (e)	\$(4) (f)	\$(5) (g)	\$(6) (h)	\$(7) (i)	\$(8) (j)
Francis F Lee(9) Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	2009	\$425,000	\$625,778	\$241,061	\$2,057,177		\$ 3,875(10)		\$3,352,891
	2008	\$375,000	\$466,498	\$191,779	\$2,126,849		\$ 3,500(10)		\$3,163,626
	2007	\$350,000	\$470,000	\$128,461	\$2,105,693		\$ 3,000(10)		\$3,057,154
Thomas J. Tiernan(11) President and Chief Operating Officer	2009	\$350,000	\$286,954	\$ 33,289	\$1,779,392		\$ 4,094(10)		\$2,453,729
	2008	\$326,914	\$232,000	\$ 27,936	\$ 918,926		\$ 3,450(10)		\$1,509,226
	2007	\$300,000	\$248,000	\$ 5,302	\$ 765,147		\$ 3,250(10)		\$1,321,699
Russell J. Knittel(12) Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer	2009	\$307,000	\$275,800	\$ 27,335	\$ 955,215		\$ 4,125(10)		\$1,569,475
	2008	\$280,001	\$244,000	\$ 21,864	\$ 690,214		\$ 3,728(10)		\$1,239,807
	2007	\$258,000	\$235,000	\$ 19,694	\$ 528,467		\$ 3,280(10)		\$1,044,441
David B. Long (13) Vice President World Wide Sales	2009	\$230,410	\$127,373		\$ 471,527		\$ 4,032(10)		\$ 833,342
	2008	\$109,183	\$ 70,000		\$ 182,348		\$11,477(14)		\$ 373,008
Joseph D. Montalbo(15) Senior Vice President, Platform Research & Development	2009	\$225,290	\$124,587		\$ 600,540				\$ 950,417
	2008	\$106,756			\$ 236,971		\$10,000(16)		\$ 353,727

(1)

The base salaries set forth in this column reflect salary increases effective as of the first day of our 2009, 2008, and 2007 fiscal years for each of the named officers.

- (2) The amounts shown in this column constitute amounts earned under our fiscal 2009, 2008, and 2007 incentive compensation programs, which include amounts that were calculated, approved, and paid in fiscal 2010, 2009, and 2008, respectively.

See Compensation Discussion and Analysis for more information regarding our fiscal 2009 incentive compensation program.

- (3) The amounts shown in this column represent the dollar amounts recognized for financial statement

reporting purposes in fiscal 2009, 2008, and 2007 with respect to the grant date fair value of deferred stock unit awards determined in accordance with SFAS 123R and thus includes amounts from awards granted in previous years when a portion of such awards vested in fiscal 2009, 2008, and 2007. We determine the grant date fair value of each deferred stock unit award using the closing price of our common stock on the date of grant and recognize the compensation expense over the vesting period. Each named executive officer forfeits the unvested portion, if any, of the officer's deferred stock units if the officer's service to our company is terminated for any reason, except as may otherwise be

determined by
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Directors as the administrator of our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan. For further information on these awards, see the Grants of Plan-Based Awards table of this proxy statement.

- (4) The amounts shown in this column reflect the dollar amount recognized for financial statement reporting purposes in fiscal 2009, 2008, and 2007 with respect to the grant date fair value of stock option awards determined in accordance with SFAS 123R, and thus includes amounts from awards granted in previous years when a portion of such awards vested in fiscal 2009, 2008, and 2007. We estimated the grant date fair value of each stock option award on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing

model and recognize the compensation expense over the vesting period. See Note 10 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2009 for a discussion of the relevant assumptions used in determining the grant date fair value of our stock option awards pursuant to SFAS 123R. Each named executive officer forfeits the unvested portion, if any, of the officer's stock options if the officer's service to our company is terminated for any reason, except as may otherwise be determined by the Board of Directors as the administrator of our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan. For further information on these awards, see the Grants of Plan-Based Awards table of this proxy statement.

(5)

No non-equity incentive plan compensation was paid for fiscal 2009.

- (6) We do not maintain any pension or nonqualified deferred compensation programs.
- (7) This column sets forth the value of all perquisites.
- (8) The dollar value in this column for each named executive officer represents the sum of all compensation reflected in the previous columns.
- (9) Mr. Lee served as our Chief Executive Officer from December 1998 until July 2009.
- (10) This amount consists of matching contributions to our company's 401(k) plan.
- (11) Mr. Tiernan has served as our Chief Executive Officer since July 2009 and as our President since July 2008.
Mr. Tiernan

served as Chief Operating Officer of our company from July 2008 until July 2009 and as Executive Vice President and General Manager of our company from July 2007 until July 2008.

(12) Mr. Knittel served as our Chief Financial Officer, Secretary, and Treasurer from November 2001 until September 2009. Mr. Knittel currently is Executive Vice President of our company.

(13) Mr. Long joined our company in January 2008.

(14) This amount includes a \$10,000 sign-on bonus and \$1,477 of matching contributions to our company's 401(k) plan.

(15) Mr. Montalbo joined our company in January 2008.

(16) This amount consists of a \$10,000 sign-on bonus.

Table of Contents**Grants of Plan-Based Awards**

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to grants of plan-based awards to the named executive officers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

GRANTS OF PLAN-BASED AWARDS

Name (a)	Grant Date (b)	Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards			Estimated Future Payouts Under Equity Incentive Plan Awards			All Other Stock Awards	All Other Option Awards	Exercise or Base Price of Option Awards	Grant Date Fair Value of Stock and Option Awards
		Threshold	Target	Maximum	Threshold	Target	Maximum	(#)	(#)(1)	(\$/Sh)	Awards(2)
		(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(#)	(#)	(#)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)
Frances F. Lee	01/26/2009								195,000	\$24.33	\$2,516,436
Thomas J. Tiernan	08/04/2008								150,000	\$34.01	\$2,526,405
Russell J. Knittel	08/04/2008								97,500	\$34.01	\$1,642,163
David B. Long	01/26/2009								37,500	\$24.33	\$ 483,930
Joseph D. Montalbo	01/26/2009								37,500	\$24.33	\$ 483,930

(1) These stock options awards were granted under our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan and generally vest 25% on the first anniversary of the date of grant and 1/48th of the total number of shares each month thereafter. Each named executive officer forfeits the unvested

portion, if any, of the officer's stock options if the officer's service to our company is terminated for any reason except as may otherwise be determined by the Board of Directors as the administrator of our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan. For Messrs. Tiernan and Knittel, the vesting on any unvested deferred stock units will accelerate and the delivery of the underlying shares will accelerate upon a change in control of our company.

- (2) Represents the calculated compensation value for all stock options granted in fiscal 2009 to the named executive officers determined in accordance with SFAS 123R.

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The following table sets forth information with respect to outstanding equity-based awards held by our named executive officers at June 30, 2009.

OUTSTANDING EQUITY AWARDS AT FISCAL YEAR-END

Name	Option Awards				Stock Awards				
	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) (b)	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) (c)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) (d)	Exercise Price (\$) (e)	Option Expiration Date (f)	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (g)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (h)	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (i)	Market Payout Value of Unearned Shares, Units or Other Rights That Have Not Vested (j)
Francis F. Lee	48,751	195,000		\$24.33	01/26/19	15,821	\$602,780		
	50,979	146,249		\$15.55	01/28/18				
	144,140	33,396		\$19.63	01/23/17				
	225,000	24,610		\$20.47	01/17/16				
	131,472			\$20.17	01/18/15				
	212,499			\$10.93	01/21/14				
				\$ 4.91	02/05/13				
Thomas J. Tiernan	24,376	150,000		\$34.01	08/04/18	3,751	\$142,913		
	36,563	73,124		\$21.92	04/28/18				
	138,380	30,937		\$19.21	04/24/17				
		78,125		\$14.59	03/28/16				
Russell J. Knittel	41,250	97,500		\$34.01	08/04/18	2,343	\$ 89,268		
	23,908	48,750		\$26.47	08/13/17				
	31,874	18,281		\$14.02	07/25/16				
		1,876		\$14.33	07/26/15				
David B. Long	53,125	37,500		\$24.33	01/26/19				
		96,875		\$26.17	01/07/18				
Joseph D. Montalbo	69,062	37,500		\$24.33	01/26/19				
		125,938		\$26.17	01/07/18				

The vesting schedule for stock options is generally 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 1/48th of the total number of shares each month thereafter. The vesting schedule for deferred stock units is generally 25% approximately one year after the grant date and 1/16th of the total number of shares each quarter thereafter.

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The market value of shares or units of stock that have not vested as reported in column (h) is determined by multiplying the closing market price of our common stock on the last trading day of our last completed fiscal year of \$38.10 by the number of shares or units of stock in column (g).

Table of Contents**Option Exercises and Vested Stock**

The following table describes, for the named executive officers, the number of shares acquired on the exercise of options and vesting of stock awards and the value realized on exercise of options and vesting of stock awards.

OPTION EXERCISES AND STOCK VESTING

Name (a)	Option Awards		Stock Awards	
	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise(#) (b)	Value Realized on Exercise(\$) (c)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting(#) (d)	Value Realized on Vesting(\$) (e)
Francis F. Lee	57,957	\$ 1,964,233	11,720	\$ 348,719
Thomas J. Tiernan	45,995	\$ 853,610	1,874	\$ 55,765
Russell J. Knittel	10,314	\$ 286,968	1,875	\$ 55,788
David B. Long				
Joseph D. Montalbo				

For option awards, the value realized is computed as the difference between the market price on the date of exercise and the exercise price times the number of options exercised. For stock awards, the value realized is computed as the market price on the later of the date the restrictions lapse or the delivery date times the number of shares vested.

Pension Benefits

We do not offer any pension benefits for any of our employees. We maintain a 401(k) plan in which our employees may participate, and we provide matching funds of 25% of the employee's contribution up to a maximum of \$4,125 per employee on a calendar year basis.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation

We do not provide for any nonqualified deferred compensation for any of our employees.

Employment Agreements

We do not have employment contracts with any of our executive officers or directors. We do have, however, Change of Control and Severance Agreements or signed terms-and-conditions agreements with certain employees. We offer our employees a 401(k) match and an employee stock purchase plan, as well as medical, dental, vision, life, and disability insurance benefits. Our executive officers and other personnel are eligible to receive incentive bonuses and are eligible to receive stock-based awards under our incentive compensation plans.

Severance Policy

We maintain a severance policy for certain executive officers designated by our Board of Directors and who have completed at least one full year of employment with our company. Under the policy, we will pay base salary and targeted bonus and maintain benefits following a termination of employment without cause for one year in the case of the Chief Executive Officer and six months in the case of the other designated executive officers and continue to vest stock options and deferred stock units for one year in the case of the Chief Executive Officer and six months in the case of the other designated executive officers unless the options or deferred stock units provide otherwise. In the event of death, we will pay to the estate of the executive the executive's base salary and targeted bonus for one year in the case of the Chief Executive Officer and 50% of the base salary and targeted bonus in the case of the other designated executive officers. Messrs. Tiernan and Knittel currently are subject to the severance policy.

Table of Contents**Change of Control and Severance Agreements**

We are a party to a Change of Control and Severance Agreement with each of Messrs. Tiernan and Knittel. The agreements become effective upon a change of control of our company as defined in the agreements. Under the agreements, each of the executives has agreed to remain employed by our company or its successor for a rolling one-year period after a change of control upon the same terms and conditions that existed immediately prior to the change of control and to refrain from competing with our company during the term of employment and while any severance payments are being made. The agreements provide for the payment by our company, for one year after termination of employment by our company without good cause or by the executive for good reason, as defined in the agreements, or by the executive for any reason during the 30-day period following the first anniversary of the change of control, of compensation equal to the greater of the average of the base salary and bonus for the two years prior to such termination or the base salary and targeted bonus for the fiscal year in which such termination occurs. In the case of such termination, the agreements also provide for the continuation of insurance coverage on the executive and the executive's family for one year. In addition, the agreements provide for the continuation of base salary payments and benefit coverage for the executive's family for a period of 12 months after the death of the executive and for the payment in the event of disability of a lump sum equal to the greater of the average of the base salary and bonus for the two fiscal years prior to such termination or the executive's base salary and targeted bonus for the fiscal year in which such termination occurs. The agreements provide that in the event of a change of control, 50% of unvested options and deferred stock units vest immediately and the remaining 50% of unvested options and deferred stock units vest immediately if the executive is terminated by our company without good cause or by the executive for good reason. All vested options, including those vesting under the terms of the agreements, will be exercisable during their full term in the event of a change of control.

All unexercisable options and unvested deferred stock units held by Messrs. Tiernan and Knittel included in the Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End table of this proxy statement are subject to the provisions of the Change of Control and Severance Agreement described above. The total approximate value of payments required to be paid to Messrs. Tiernan and Knittel, including the market value of unvested equity awards that would become fully vested, upon termination by our company without good cause or by the executives for good reason as of June 30, 2009 would have been \$4,958,612 and \$2,093,205, respectively.

Indemnification Under our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

Our certificate of incorporation provides that no director will be personally liable to our company or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of a fiduciary duty as a director, except to the extent such exemption or limitation of liability is not permitted under the Delaware General Corporation Law. The effect of this provision in the certificate of incorporation is to eliminate the rights of our company and its stockholders, either directly or through stockholders' derivative suits brought on behalf of our company, to recover monetary damages from a director for breach of the fiduciary duty of care as a director except in those instances described under the Delaware General Corporation Law. In addition, we have adopted provisions in our bylaws and entered into indemnification agreements that require us to indemnify our directors, officers, and certain other representatives of our company against expenses and certain other liabilities arising out of their conduct on behalf of our company to the maximum extent and under all circumstances permitted by law. Indemnification may not apply in certain circumstances to actions arising under the federal securities laws.

Table of Contents**Share-Based Compensation Plan Information**

The following table sets forth information, as of June 30, 2009, with respect to our common stock that may be issued from both stockholder approved and unapproved plans upon delivery of shares for deferred stock units, exercise of outstanding stock options, the weighted average exercise price of outstanding stock options, and the number of securities available for future issuance under our various share-based compensation plans.

Plan Category	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
	Number of Securities to be issued Upon Delivery of Shares for Deferred Stock Units	Number of Securities to be issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options	Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Share-Based Compensation Plans [Excluding Securities Reflected in Columns (a) and (b)]
Share-Based Compensation Plans Approved by Stockholders	738,258	6,747,812	\$ 20.92	4,774,056
Share-Based Compensation Plans Not Approved by Stockholders(1)		22,500	\$ 2.33	56,376
Total	738,258	6,770,312	\$ 20.86	4,830,432

(1) Represents options granted under our 2000 nonstatutory stock option plan. The plan was adopted by our board of directors in September 2000 and provides for the grant of options to purchase up to 300,000 shares of our common stock. Unless terminated earlier by our board of

directors, the plan will terminate in September 2010. The exercise price of options granted under the plan is the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant. Generally, the shares subject to options granted under the plan vest 25% on the first anniversary of the option grant date and 1/48th in each month thereafter. The exercise price for any options granted under the plan may be paid in cash, in shares of our common stock valued at fair market value on the exercise date, or in any other form of legal consideration that may be acceptable to the board of directors or administrator in their discretion, including through a same-day sale program without any cash outlay by the optionee. The term of options, granted under the plan

may not exceed
10 years.
Outstanding
awards and the
number of shares
remaining
available for
issuance under
the plan will be
adjusted in the
event of a stock
split, stock
dividend, or
other similar
change in our
capital stock.

1996 Stock Option Plan

Our 1996 Stock Option Plan provides for the grant of incentive stock options to employees, including employee directors, and of nonstatutory stock options to employees, directors, and consultants. The purposes of the 1996 Stock Option Plan are to attract and retain the best available personnel, to provide additional incentives to our employees and consultants, and to promote the success of our business. The 1996 Stock Option Plan was originally adopted by our Board of Directors in December 1996 and approved by our stockholders in November 1996. The 1996 Stock Option Plan provides for the issuance of options and rights to purchase up to 8,071,377 shares of our

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common stock. The 1996 Stock Option Plan terminated in December 2006. As of June 30, 2009, options to purchase 47,250 shares of our common stock were outstanding under the 1996 Stock Option Plan and 7,533,396 shares had been issued upon exercise of outstanding options.

2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan

Our 2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan provides for the grant of nonstatutory stock options to employees and consultants. The purposes of the 2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan are to attract and retain the best available personnel, to provide additional incentives to our employees and consultants, and to promote the success of our business. The 2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan was adopted by our Board of Directors in September 2000. The 2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan provides for the issuance of options to purchase up to 300,000 shares of our common stock. Unless terminated earlier by the Board of Directors, the 2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan will terminate in September 2010. As of June 30, 2009, options to purchase 22,500 shares of our common stock were outstanding under the 2000 Nonstatutory Stock Option Plan and 221,124 shares had been issued upon exercise of outstanding options.

2001 Incentive Compensation Plan

Our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended, is designed to attract, motivate, retain, and reward our executives, employees, officers, directors, and independent contractors, by providing such persons with annual and long-term performance incentives to expend their maximum efforts in the creation of stockholder value. The 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan was adopted by our Board of Directors in March 2001 and approved by our stockholders in November 2001. Under the 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan, an aggregate of 4,774,056 shares of common stock as of the end of fiscal 2009 may be issued pursuant to the granting of options to acquire common stock, the direct granting of restricted common stock and deferred stock, the granting of stock appreciation rights, or the granting of dividend equivalents. On the first day of each calendar quarter, an additional number of shares equal to 1 1/2% of the total number of shares then outstanding will be added to the number of shares that may be subject to the granting of awards. As of June 30, 2009, options to purchase 6,700,562 shares of our common stock and 738,258 deferred stock units were outstanding under the 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan and 6,556,338 shares had been issued upon exercise of outstanding options and 337,640 net shares had been delivered upon vesting of deferred stock units.

2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Our 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended, is designed to encourage stock ownership in our company by our employees, thereby enhancing employee interest in our continued success. The plan was adopted by our Board of Directors in February 2001 and approved by our stockholders in November 2001. One million shares of our common stock were initially reserved for issuance under the plan. An annual increase is made equal to the lesser of 500,000 shares, 1% of all shares of common stock outstanding, or a lesser amount determined by the Board of Directors. As of June 30, 2009, there were 1,157,130 shares reserved for issuance under the plan. During fiscal 2009, 185,529 shares of common stock were issued under the plan.

401(k) Retirement Savings Plan

In July 1991, we adopted a 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan for which our regular full-time employees generally are eligible. The plan is intended to qualify under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, so that contributions to the plan by employees or by us and the investment earnings on the contributions are not taxable to the employees until withdrawn. Our contributions are deductible by us when made. Our employees may elect to reduce their current compensation by an amount equal to the maximum of 25% of total annual compensation or the annual limit permitted by law and to have those funds contributed to the plan. We provide matching funds of 25% of the employee's contribution up to a maximum of \$4,125 on a calendar year basis.

Table of Contents**DIRECTOR COMPENSATION**

We pay in arrears each non-employee director an annual retainer of \$10,000 in cash or stock at the director's election. We also pay a fee of \$2,000 to each non-employee director for attendance at each board meeting in person and \$500 for attendance at each board meeting by teleconference. Fees paid to committee members for each committee meeting attended are as follows:

	Committee Chairman	Committee Member
Audit Committee	\$4,000	\$2,000
Compensation Committee	\$3,000	\$1,500
Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee	\$2,000	\$1,000

We pay our lead director an additional \$5,000 annual retainer, \$2,000 for each Audit Committee meeting attended, and \$1,500 for each Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee meeting attended.

In addition, directors are eligible to receive annual grants of stock options and deferred stock units under our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan, with the Chairman of the Board currently eligible to receive an annual grant of stock options to purchase 28,125 shares, or an equivalent grant of stock options and deferred stock units, and other non-employee directors currently eligible to receive an annual grant of stock options to purchase 18,750 shares, or an equivalent annual grant of stock options and deferred stock units. Newly elected non-employee directors receive an initial stock option grant to purchase 75,000 shares of our common stock, or an equivalent grant of stock options and deferred stock units, in lieu of any annual stock option grant during the first year of service. We reimburse non-employee directors for their expenses for attending board and committee meetings.

The following table sets forth the compensation paid by us to non-employee directors for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. Employee directors do not receive any additional compensation for service on our Board of Directors.

DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Name (a)	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)(1) (b)		Stock Awards (\$)(2) (c)	Option Awards (\$)(3) (d)	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Non-Equity Deferred Incentive Plan Compensation Earnings (\$)(4) (e)		All Other Compensation (\$)(4) (g)	Total (\$) (h)
Jeffrey D. Buchanan	\$36,500	\$14,723		\$322,377				\$373,600
Nelson C. Chan	\$32,000	\$51,091		\$136,760				\$219,851
Keith B. Geeslin	\$30,000	\$23,750		\$170,707				\$224,457
Richard L. Sanquini	\$17,000	\$33,730		\$170,708			10,000(4)	\$231,438
James L. Whims	\$29,000			\$354,298				\$383,298
Federico Faggin (5)	\$15,500	\$35,640		\$225,967				\$277,107
W. Ronald Van Dell (6)		\$18,457		\$61,617			10,000(4)	\$90,074

- (1) Messrs. Sanquini and Van Dell elected to receive their annual retainers in shares of our common stock.

- (2) The amounts shown in this column represent the dollar amounts recognized for financial statement reporting purposes in fiscal 2009 with respect to the grant date fair value of deferred stock unit awards determined in accordance with SFAS 123R and thus includes amounts from awards granted in previous years when a portion of such awards vested in fiscal 2009. We determine the grant date fair value of each deferred stock unit award

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using the closing price of our common stock on the date of grant and recognize the compensation expense over the vesting period. Each board member forfeits the unvested portion, if any, of the board member's deferred stock units if the board member's service to our company is terminated for any reason, except as may otherwise be determined by the Board of Directors as the administrator of our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan. For further information on these awards, see the Grants of Plan-Based Awards table in the Executive Compensation section of this proxy statement. There were 2,245 forfeitures of deferred stock units by directors in fiscal 2009. There were no grants of deferred stock unit awards to our non-employee

directors in fiscal 2009. As of June 30, 2009, each of the current and former non-employee directors had the following number of stock awards outstanding: Jeffrey D. Buchanan (1,367); Nelson C. Chan (6,249); Keith B. Geeslin (1,660); Richard L. Sanquini (1,660); James L. Whims (0); Federico Faggin (2,491); and W. Ronald Van Dell (0).

- (3) The amounts shown in this column reflect the dollar amounts recognized for financial statement reporting purposes in fiscal 2009 with respect to the grant date fair value of stock option awards determined in accordance with SFAS 123R, and thus includes amounts from awards granted in previous years when a portion of such awards vested in fiscal 2009. We

estimated the grant date fair value of each stock option award on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and recognize the compensation expense over the vesting period. See Note 10 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2009 for a discussion of the relevant assumptions used in determining grant date fair value of our stock option awards pursuant to SFAS 123R. Each board member forfeits the unvested portion, if any, of the board member's stock options if the board member's service to our company is terminated for any reason, except as may otherwise be determined by the Board of Directors as the administrator of our 2001 Incentive Compensation Plan. For further

information on these awards, see the Grants of Plan-Based Awards table in the Executive Compensation section of this proxy statement. There were 26,589 forfeitures of stock options by directors in fiscal 2009. The grant date fair value of the stock options granted in fiscal 2009 was as follows for each of the directors: Jeffrey D. Buchanan: \$241,965 (01/26/2009); Nelson C. Chan: \$324,709 (04/27/2009); Keith B. Geeslin: \$241,965 (01/26/2009); Richard L. Sanquini: \$241,965 (01/26/2009); James L. Whims \$241,965 (01/26/2009). Messrs. Faggin and Van Dell did not receive a stock option grant for their services as a director in fiscal 2009. As of June 30, 2009, each of the current and former non-employee directors had the following number

of option awards
outstanding:
Jeffrey D.
Buchanan
(84,375); Nelson
C. Chan (75,000);
Keith B. Geeslin
(79,687); Richard
L. Sanquini
(50,293); James
L. Whims
(93,750);
Federico Faggin
(67,405); and W.
Ronald Van Dell
(0).

- (4) Represents the value of common stock paid to Messrs. Sanquini and Van Dell as their annual retainers.
- (5) Mr. Faggin retired as a director in October 2008.
- (6) Mr. Van Dell resigned as a director in October 2008.

The vesting schedule for stock option awards is generally 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 1/48th of the total shares each month thereafter. The vesting schedule for deferred stock unit awards is generally 25% approximately one year after the grant date and 1/16th of the total shares each quarter thereafter.

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AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board of Directors has appointed an Audit Committee consisting of three directors. The current members of the Audit Committee are Jeffrey D. Buchanan, Nelson C. Chan, and James L. Whims. Each of the committee members is independent of our company and management, as that term is defined in Nasdaq rules.

The primary responsibility of the committee is to assist the Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibility to oversee management's conduct of our company's financial reporting process, including overseeing the financial reports and other financial information provided by our company to governmental or regulatory bodies (such as the SEC), the public, and other users thereof; our company's systems of internal accounting and financial controls; and the annual independent audit of our company's financial statements.

Management has the primary responsibility for the financial statements and the reporting process, including the systems of internal controls. The independent auditor is responsible for auditing the financial statements and expressing an opinion on the conformity of those audited financial statements with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In fulfilling its oversight responsibilities, the committee reviewed and discussed the audited financial statements with management and the independent auditor. The committee discussed with the independent auditor the matters required to be discussed by Statement of Auditing Standards No. 61. This included a discussion of the auditor's judgments as to the quality, not just the acceptability, of our company's accounting principles and such other matters as are required to be discussed with the committee under generally accepted auditing standards. In addition, the committee received from the independent auditor written disclosures and the letter required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1. The committee also discussed with the independent auditor the auditor's independence from management and our company, including the matters covered by the written disclosures and letter provided by the independent auditor, and considered the compatibility of non-audit services with auditor independence.

The committee discussed with the independent auditor the overall scope and plans for its audits. The committee met with the independent auditor, with and without management present, to discuss the results of its audit, its consideration of our company's internal controls, and the overall quality of the financial reporting. The committee held five meetings with management of our company, all of which were attended by our independent auditor, with respect to the company's financial statements and audit or quarterly review procedures.

Based on the reviews and discussions referred to above, the committee recommended to the Board of Directors, and the board approved, that the audited financial statements be included in our company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2009 for filing with the SEC. The committee also has selected our company's independent auditor.

The report has been furnished by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

Jeffrey D. Buchanan, Chairman

Nelson C. Chan

James L. Whims

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SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires our directors, officers, and persons that own more than 10% of a registered class of our company's equity securities to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the SEC. Directors, officers, and greater than 10% stockholders are required by SEC regulations to furnish our company with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file.

Based solely upon our review of the copies of such forms received by us during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, and written representations that no other reports were required, we believe that each person who, at any time during such fiscal year, was a director, officer, or beneficial owner of more than 10% of our common stock complied with all Section 16(a) filing requirements during such fiscal year, except that Richard L. Sanquini and William R. Van Dell each filed a late Form 4 relating to a stock grant as payment of a portion of their annual director's retainer fee.

Table of Contents**SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS,
DIRECTORS, AND OFFICERS**

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the beneficial ownership of our common stock on August 28, 2009 by (1) each director; (2) the named executive officers listed in the Summary Compensation Table under the section entitled "Executive Compensation"; (3) all directors and executive officers as a group; and (4) each person or entity known by us to beneficially own or to exercise voting or dispositive control over more than 5% of our common stock.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Shares Beneficially Owned	
	Number(1)	Percent(2)
Directors and Executive Officers:		
Thomas J. Tiernan (3)	285,783	*
Russell J. Knittel (4)	167,839	*
David B. Long (5)	65,626	*
Joseph D. Montalbo (6)	86,221	*
Jeffrey D. Buchanan (7)	53,322	*
Nelson C. Chan (8)	32,423	*
Keith B. Geeslin (9)	143,285	*
Francis F. Lee (10)	1,370,885	3.94%
Richard L. Sanquini (11)	28,035	*
James L. Whims (12)	48,750	*
All directors and executive officers as a group (14 persons) (13)	2,447,426	6.85%
5% Stockholders:		
FMR LLC (14)	4,864,438	14.32%
Barclays (15)	2,193,398	6.46%

* Less than 1%.

(1) Except as otherwise indicated, each person named in the table has sole voting and investment power with respect to all common stock beneficially owned, subject to applicable community property laws. Except as otherwise indicated, each person may be

reached at 3120
Scott Blvd.,
Santa Clara,
California
95054. The
numbers and
percentages
shown include
the shares of
common stock
actually owned
as of August 28,
2009 and the
shares of
common stock
that the
identified
person or group
had the right to
acquire within
60 days of such
date.

- (2) The percentages
shown are
calculated based
on 33,962,974
shares of
common stock
outstanding on
August 28,
2009. In
calculating the
percentage of
ownership, all
shares of
common stock
that the
identified
person or group
had the right to
acquire within
60 days of
August 28, 2009
upon the
exercise of
options are
deemed to be
outstanding for
the purpose of
computing the

percentage of the shares of common stock owned by that person or group, but are not deemed to be outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage of the shares of common stock owned by any other person or group.

- (3) Includes 279,944 shares issuable upon exercise of vested stock options.
- (4) Includes 136,408 shares issuable upon exercise of vested stock options.
- (5) Includes 65,626 shares issuable upon exercise of vested stock options.
- (6) Includes 85,313 shares issuable upon exercise of vested stock options.
- (7) Includes 53,322 shares issuable upon exercise of vested stock options.
- (8) Includes 31,641 shares issuable

upon exercise of
vested stock
options.

- (9) Includes 46,192
shares issuable
upon exercise of
vested stock
options.

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- (10) Includes 6,000 shares held by Mr. Lee as custodian for his children, 109,895 shares held by Francis F. Lee and Evelyn C. Lee as Co-Trustees of the Lee 1999 Living Trust, 126,906 shares held by Evelyn C. Lee, Trustee of the Evelyn Lee 2002 Irrevocable Trust, 126,906 shares held by Francis F. Lee, Trustee of the Francis Lee 2002 Irrevocable Trust, and 833,934 shares issuable upon exercise of vested stock options.

- (11) Includes 11,225 shares held by Richard L. Sanquini as trustee of the Sanquini 2002 Living Trust, and 16,798 shares issuable upon exercise of vested stock options.

- (12) Includes 37,500 shares issuable upon exercise of vested stock options.

- (13) Includes
1,745,211 shares
issuable upon
exercise of
vested stock
options.
- (14) The information
is as reported on
Amendment
No. 5 to
Schedule 13G/A
filed
February 17,
2009. The
address of FMR
LLC is 82
Devonshire
Street, Boston,
MA 02109.
Fidelity
Management &
Research
Company, a
wholly owned
subsidiary of
FMR LLC
(Fidelity) serves
as an investment
adviser to
various funds
with sole power
to direct the
disposition of
4,863,268
shares. One such
fund, Fidelity
Growth
Company Fund
owns 4,627,623
shares. Members
of the family of
Edward C.
Johnson 3d,
Chairman of
FMR LLC,
control FMR
LLC and
therefore have
dispositive

power over the above shares. Neither FMR LLC nor Edward C. Johnson 3d has the sole power to vote or direct the voting of the shares owned directly by the Fidelity Funds, which power resides with the Funds Boards of Trustees. Pyramis Global Advisors Trust Company, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of FMR LLC and a bank (PGATC), serves as an investment manager with sole power to direct the disposition of 1,170 shares and sole power to vote 570 shares. Edward C. Johnson 3d and FMR LLC control PGATC, and therefore have sole dispositive power over the above shares held by PGATC.

- (15) The information is as reported on Schedule 13G as filed February 5, 2009. The address of Barclays Global

Investors, NA and Barclays Global Fund Advisors is 400 Howard Street, San Francisco, California 94105. The address of Barclays Global Investors, Ltd. is Murray House, 1 Royal Mint Court, London, EC3N 4HH. Barclays Global Investors, NA, a bank, has the sole power to direct the disposition of 788,906 shares and sole power to vote 679,150 shares. Barclays Global Fund Advisors serves as an investment adviser with sole power to direct the disposition of 1,382,017 shares and sole power to vote 997,504 shares. Barclays Global Investors, Ltd. has the sole power to direct the disposition of 22,475 shares and sole power to vote 810 shares.

Table of Contents**RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR**

Our Audit Committee has appointed KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, to audit the consolidated financial statements of our company for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 and recommends that stockholders vote in favor of the ratification of such appointment. In the event of a negative vote on such ratification, the Audit Committee will reconsider its selection. We anticipate that representatives of KPMG LLP will be present at the meeting, will have the opportunity to make a statement if they desire, and will be available to respond to appropriate questions.

The Audit Committee has considered whether the provision of non-audit services by KPMG LLP is compatible with maintaining KPMG LLP's independence.

Fees

The aggregate fees billed to our company by KPMG LLP, for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and June 30, 2008, are as follows:

	2009	2008
Audit Fees	\$ 914,000	\$ 961,200
Audit-Related Fees (1)	199,000	15,000
Tax Fees (2)	44,000	
All Other Fees		
 Total fees	 \$ 1,157,000	 \$ 976,200

(1) The fees in fiscal 2009 were for services associated with statutory audits of certain of our subsidiaries located outside the United States and for the filing of a shelf registration statement. The fees in fiscal 2008 were for services associated with filing registration statements to register shares for two of our equity based employee benefit plans.

(2)

Consists solely
of fees for tax
preparation and
compliance.

Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policies

The charter of our Audit Committee provides that the duties and responsibilities of our Audit Committee include the pre-approval of all audit, audit-related, tax, and other services permitted by law or applicable SEC regulations (including fee and cost ranges) to be performed by our independent auditor. Any pre-approved services that will involve fees or costs exceeding pre-approved levels will also require specific pre-approval by the Audit Committee. Unless otherwise specified by the Audit Committee in pre-approving a service, the pre-approval will be effective for the 12-month period following pre-approval. The Audit Committee will not approve any non-audit services prohibited by applicable SEC regulations or any services in connection with a transaction initially recommended by the independent auditor, the purpose of which may be tax avoidance and the tax treatment of which may not be supported by the Internal Revenue Code and related regulations.

To the extent deemed appropriate, the Audit Committee may delegate pre-approval authority to the Chairman of the Audit Committee or any one or more other members of the Audit Committee provided that any member of the Audit Committee who has exercised any such delegation must report any such pre-approval decision to the Audit Committee at its next scheduled meeting. The Audit Committee will not delegate to management the pre-approval of services to be performed by the independent auditor.

Our Audit Committee requires that our independent auditor, in conjunction with our Chief Financial Officer, be responsible for seeking pre-approval for providing services to us and that any request for pre-approval must inform the Audit Committee about each service to be provided and must provide detail as to the particular service to be provided.

All of the services provided by KPMG LLP described above under the captions Audit-Related Fees and Tax Fees were approved by our Audit Committee pursuant to our Audit Committee's pre-approval policies.

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DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS

Stockholder proposals that are intended to be presented by stockholders at the annual meeting of stockholders for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 must be received by us at our executive offices set forth in this proxy statement no earlier than June 22, 2010 and no later than July 22, 2010, in order to be included in the proxy statement and form of proxy relating to such meeting.

Pursuant to Rule 14a-4 under the Exchange Act, we intend to retain discretionary authority to vote proxies with respect to stockholder proposals for which the proponent does not seek to have us include the proposed matter in the proxy statement for the annual meeting to be held during calendar 2010, except in circumstances where (1) we receive notice of the proposed matter no later than July 27, 2010, and (2) the proponent complies with the other requirements set forth in Rule 14a-4.

OTHER MATTERS

We know of no other matters to be submitted to the meeting. If any other matters properly come before the meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed proxy card to vote the shares they represent as our Board of Directors may recommend.

Dated: September 10, 2009

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**PROXY CARD
SYNAPTICS INCORPORATED
3120 SCOTT BLVD.
SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA 95054
2009 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS**

THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The undersigned stockholder of SYNAPTICS INCORPORATED, a Delaware corporation (the Company), hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders and Proxy Statement of the Company, each dated September 10, 2009, and hereby appoints Thomas J. Tiernan and Kathleen A. Bayless, and each of them, proxies and attorneys-in-fact, with full power to each of substitution, on behalf and in the name of the undersigned, to represent the undersigned at the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company, to be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., local time, at our principal executive offices located at 3120 Scott Boulevard, Santa Clara, California 95054, and at any adjournment or adjournments thereof, and to vote all shares of the Company's common stock that the undersigned would be entitled to vote if then and there personally present, on the matters set forth on the reverse side.

A majority of such proxies or substitutes as shall be present and shall act at the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof (or if only one shall be present and act, then that one) shall have and may exercise all of the powers of said proxies hereunder.

(Continued and to be signed on the reverse side.)

COMMENTS:

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**ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OF
SYNAPTICS INCORPORATED**

October 20, 2009

NOTICE OF INTERNET AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIAL:

The Notice of Meeting, proxy statement and proxy card are available at **<http://investor.shareholder.com/synaptics/financials.cfm>**

Please sign, date and mail your proxy card in the envelope provided as soon as possible.

Please detach along perforated line and mail in the envelope provided.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND FOR PROPOSAL 2.
PLEASE SIGN, DATE AND RETURN PROMPTLY IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE. PLEASE MARK YOUR VOTE IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS SHOWN HERE ý**

1. Election of Directors:

NOMINEES:

- Jeffrey D. Buchanan
- Keith B. Geeslin
- James L. Whims
- FOR ALL NOMINEES

WITHHOLD
AUTHORITY
FOR ALL
NOMINEES

FOR ALL EXCEPT
(See Instructions
below)

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| 2. Proposal to ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as the Company's independent auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. | <table border="0"> <tr> <td>FOR</td> <td>AGAINST</td> <td>ABSTAIN</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table> | FOR | AGAINST | ABSTAIN | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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and upon such matters which may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

This Proxy will be voted as directed or, if no contrary direction is indicated, will be voted FOR the election of the directors; FOR the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010; and as said proxies deem advisable on such other matters as may come before the meeting.

TO INCLUDE ANY COMMENTS, USE THE COMMENTS BOX ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS CARD.

INSTRUCTIONS: To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee(s), mark **FOR ALL EXCEPT** and fill in the circle next to each nominee you wish to withhold.

Please check the box at right if you will attend the annual meeting.

To change the address on your account, please check the box at right and indicate your new address in the address space above. Please note that changes to the registered name(s) on the account may not be submitted via this method.

Signature of
Stockholder

Date:

Signature of
Stockholder

Date:

Note: Please sign exactly as your name or names appear on this Proxy. When shares are held jointly, each holder should sign. When signing as executor, administrator, attorney, trustee or guardian, please give full title as such. If the signer is a corporation, please sign full corporate name by duly authorized officer, giving full title as such. If signer is a partnership, please sign in partnership name by authorized person.

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