Benefits Briefing Webinar:  
Company Stock as a Retirement Plan Investment  

Friday, September 21, 2 p.m. ET

The American Benefits Council will hold a webinar on Friday, September 21, at 2 p.m. Eastern Time, to discuss the use of company stock as an investment in defined benefit and defined contribution retirement plans. We will also present related market research gathered from public sources, which may be useful for benchmarking purposes.

Company stock has been a prominent investment in retirement plans sponsored by U.S. corporations for decades. As investment options within defined contribution plans, company stock funds promote employee ownership, offer a unique risk/return profile for participants, require diligent monitoring by fiduciaries, and present litigation risk. Many plan sponsors contribute company stock and other non-cash assets to improve the funded status of their defined benefit plans. Recent developments in the case law, regulatory activities, changes to the tax code, and the stock market performance have prompted plan committees to revisit both company stock as a plan investment and alternative pension funding strategies.

In this webinar, moderator Jan Jacobson, the Council’s senior counsel, retirement policy, will be joined by John Matelis, Chief Financial Analyst at Newport Trust Company, and Marc Sciscoe, Partner at Ice Miller. Together, the panelists will discuss current practices and challenges for retirement plan sponsors.

We will solicit feedback and take questions from webinar participants throughout the session. Members are encouraged to submit questions for the webinar in advance.

A recording of this session will be sent to all registrants. Even if you will not be able to attend in person, please register to receive a digital playback of the webinar automatically.

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