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# SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

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## COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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# Your **Vote** Counts!

**COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.**

2022 Annual Meeting

Vote by April 26, 2022 11:59 PM ET. For shares held in a Plan, vote by April 25, 2022 11:59 PM ET.

COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.  
C/O BROADVIEW  
PO BOX 1342  
MINNEAPOLIS, NY 11211



## You invested in COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC. and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting. **This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy material for the shareholder meeting to be held on April 27, 2022.**

### Get informed before you vote

View the Notice & Proxy Statement, AR/10K online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to April 13, 2022. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future shareholder meetings, you may (1) visit [www.ProxyVote.com](http://www.ProxyVote.com), (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com). If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.



For complete information and to vote, visit [www.ProxyVote.com](http://www.ProxyVote.com)

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#### Smartphone users

Point your camera here and vote without entering a control number



#### Vote Virtually at the Meeting\*

April 27, 2022  
10:00 AM PDT

Virtually at:  
[www.virtua.shareholdermeeting.com/COLB2022](http://www.virtua.shareholdermeeting.com/COLB2022)

\*Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

## THIS IS NOT A VOTABLE BALLOT

This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming shareholder meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters.

Voting Items	Board Recommends
1. Election of Directors <b>Nominees:</b>	
1a. Craig D. Eerkes	✓ For
1b. Laura Alvarez Schrag	✓ For
1c. Ford Elsaesser	✓ For
1d. Mark A. Finkelstein	✓ For
1e. Eric S. Forrest	✓ For
1f. Michelle M. Lantow	✓ For
1g. Randal L. Lund	✓ For
1h. Tracy Mack-Askew	✓ For
1i. S. Mae Fujita Numata	✓ For
1j. Elizabeth W. Seaton	✓ For
1k. Clint E. Stein	✓ For
1l. Janine T. Terrano	✓ For
2. To vote on an advisory (non-binding) resolution to approve the compensation of Columbia's named executive officers.	✓ For
3. To vote on an advisory (non-binding) resolution to appoint Deloitte & Touche LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year ending December 31, 2022.	✓ For

**NOTE:** Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof. You may attend the Annual Meeting via the Internet and vote during the Annual Meeting. Have the information that is printed in the box marked with the arrow on your proxy card or Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials available and follow the instructions.