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ARC DOCUMENT SOLUTIONS, INC.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS To Be Held on May 1, 2019

To Our Stockholders:

We cordially invite you to attend the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of ARC Document Solutions, Inc. The annual meeting will take place at the Roundhouse Conference Center, at 2600 Camino Ramon, San Ramon, CA 94583 on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, 9:00 a.m. PDT. We look forward to your attendance either in person or by proxy.

The purpose of the annual meeting is to:

- 1. Elect the seven directors named in the proxy statement for the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders, each for a term of one year or until their successors are elected and qualified;
- 2. Ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as ARC Document Solutions, Inc.'s independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2019;
- 3. Hold an advisory, non-binding vote on executive compensation; and
- 4. Transact any other business that may properly come before the annual meeting and any postponements or adjournments of the annual meeting.

The foregoing items of business are more fully described in the proxy statement accompanying this notice of annual meeting of stockholders. Only stockholders of record at the close of business on March 4, 2019 will receive notice of, and be eligible to vote at, the annual meeting or any postponements or adjournments of the annual meeting. A list of such stockholders will be available at the annual meeting and during ordinary business hours ten days prior to the annual meeting at the principal executive offices of ARC Document Solutions, Inc. at 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583. If you would like to review the stockholder list, please contact our principal executive offices at (925) 949-5100 to schedule an appointment.

A copy of ARC Document Solutions, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 is included with this mailing. We are sending this proxy statement and related materials to stockholders on or about March 29, 2019.

By order of the Board of Directors,

Tracey Luttrell Corporate Counsel and Corporate Secretary

March 28, 2019

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to Be Held on May 1, 2019
This proxy statement and our 2018 Annual Report on Form 10-K are available at www.proxyvote.com.

#### YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT

Please read the proxy statement and the voting instructions on the enclosed proxy card. Then, whether or not you plan to attend the annual meeting in person, and no matter how many shares you own, please complete, sign, date and promptly return the enclosed proxy card in the enclosed return envelope. This will ensure that your vote is counted even if you cannot attend the annual meeting in person. The enclosed return envelope requires no additional postage if mailed in either the United States or Canada.

## ARC DOCUMENT SOLUTIONS, INC.

#### 2019 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

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#### ARC DOCUMENT SOLUTIONS, INC.

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March 28, 2019

#### PROXY STATEMENT

The board of directors of ARC Document Solutions, Inc. is furnishing you with this proxy statement in connection with the solicitation of proxies on its behalf for the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders. The meeting will take place at the Roundhouse Conference Center, at 2600 Camino Ramon, San Ramon, CA 94583 on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. PDT. In this proxy statement, we refer to ARC Document Solutions, Inc. as the "Company", "we", "us", "our" or "ARC."

By submitting your proxy (by signing and returning the enclosed proxy card), you authorize K. Suriyakumar, the Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, and a director of ARC, and Tracey Luttrell, Corporate Counsel and Corporate Secretary of ARC, to represent you and vote your shares at the meeting in accordance with your instructions. They also may vote your shares to adjourn the meeting and will be authorized to vote your shares at any postponements or adjournments of the meeting.

We are first sending this proxy statement, form of proxy and accompanying materials to stockholders on or about March 29, 2019.

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT. WHETHER OR NOT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING, PLEASE PROMPTLY COMPLETE AND SUBMIT YOUR PROXY CARD INCLUDED IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE.

#### ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTING INFORMATION

The board of directors seeks your proxy for use in voting at the annual meeting or any postponements or adjournments of the meeting. The annual meeting will be held at the Roundhouse Conference Center, at 2600 Camino Ramon, San Ramon, CA 94583 on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. PDT. We intend to begin mailing this proxy statement, the attached notice of annual meeting, the accompanying proxy card and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, on or about March 29, 2019, to all holders of our common stock entitled to vote at the meeting. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 does not constitute a part of the proxy solicitation materials and is not incorporated by reference into this proxy statement.

Purpose of the Annual Meeting

At the annual meeting, ARC stockholders will vote on the following items:

- 1. The election of the seven directors named in this proxy statement, each for a term of one year or until their successors are elected and qualified;
- 2. Ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2019; and
- 3. An advisory, non-binding vote on executive compensation.

Stockholders also will transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting. Members of ARC's management team and representatives of Deloitte & Touche LLP ("Deloitte"), the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2018, will be present at the meeting to respond to appropriate questions from stockholders. Representatives of Deloitte will also make a statement if they so desire.

## Admission to the Annual Meeting

All record or beneficial owners of ARC's common stock may attend the annual meeting in person. When you arrive at the annual meeting, please present photo identification, such as a valid driver's license. Beneficial owners must also provide evidence of stockholdings, such as a recent brokerage account or bank statement showing ownership of ARC common stock on the record date of March 4, 2019. ARC also has invited certain ARC employees and certain agents of the Company to attend the annual meeting.

#### Record Date

The record date for the annual meeting is March 4, 2019. Only stockholders of record at the close of business on that date are entitled to vote at the meeting. The only class of stock entitled to be voted at the meeting is ARC's common stock. Each outstanding share of common stock is entitled to one vote on each matter presented for a vote at the meeting. At the close of business on the record date, there were 46,241,865 shares of ARC common stock outstanding.

#### Quorum

A quorum must be present at the meeting for any business to be conducted. The presence at the meeting, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the shares of ARC common stock outstanding on the record date will constitute a quorum. Proxies received but marked as abstentions or treated as broker non-votes will be included in the calculation of the number of shares considered to be present at the meeting for quorum purposes. If a quorum is not present at the scheduled time of the meeting, the stockholders who are represented may adjourn the meeting until a quorum is present. The time and place of the adjourned meeting will be announced at the time the adjournment is taken, and no other notice will be given.

#### Required Vote

Proposal 1 The affirmative vote of a plurality of the votes cast at the meeting is required to elect the seven nominees for director named in Proposal 1. This means that the seven nominees for director receiving the highest number of votes cast will be elected. If you vote to abstain or withhold your vote with respect to one or more nominees, your shares will not be voted with respect to the person or persons indicated, although they will be counted for purposes of determining whether there is a quorum.

Proposals 2 and 3 Approval of Proposals 2 and 3 require the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present at the meeting in person or by proxy and entitled to vote, assuming a quorum is present.

#### Routine and Non-Routine Matters

Proposal 2 (ratification of the appointment of Deloitte as our independent registered public accounting firm for 2019) is a routine matter under the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") rules. A broker or other nominee may vote in its discretion on behalf of clients that have not provided voting instructions.

Proposal 1 (election of directors) and Proposal 3 (advisory vote on executive compensation) are non-routine matters under the NYSE rules. This means that if your shares are held by your broker or other nominee in "street name," and you do not provide your broker or other nominee with instructions on how to vote your shares, your broker or nominee will not be permitted to vote your shares on Proposals 1 and 3. This will result in broker non-votes.

Voting Shares Held in "Street Name"

If your shares are held by a broker or other nominee, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in "street name." If your shares are held in "street name," these proxy materials are being forwarded to you by your broker or nominee (the record holder), along with a voting instruction card. As the beneficial owner of shares held in "street name," you have the right to instruct your broker or nominee how to vote your shares and your broker or nominee is required to vote your shares in accordance with your instructions. If you do not give instructions to your broker or nominee, your broker or nominee will nevertheless be entitled to vote your shares with respect to routine items, but will not be permitted to vote your shares with respect to non-routine items. See the item above entitled "Routine and Non-Routine Matters" for additional details on routine and non-routine matters.

As the beneficial owner of shares, you are invited to attend the meeting. If you are a beneficial owner, however, you may not vote your shares in person at the meeting unless you obtain a proxy, executed in your favor, from the record holder of your shares and bring it with you to the meeting.

Treatment of Abstentions, Withhold Votes and Broker Non-Votes

Abstentions and Withhold Votes. You may vote to abstain or withhold your vote on any of the matters to be voted on at the annual meeting. Abstentions and withhold votes will be treated as shares present for determining whether a quorum is present at the annual meeting. Abstentions and withhold votes will have no effect on the vote to elect our directors (Proposal 1), who are elected by a plurality of votes, but will be counted as votes against the ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm and the proposal regarding an advisory, non-binding vote on executive compensation (Proposals 2 and 3).

Broker Non-Votes. Broker non-votes occur when a broker or other nominee is unable to vote on a non-routine item because of a lack of instructions from the beneficial holder (or the holder in "street name"). Shares that are subject to broker non-votes will be treated as shares present for quorum purposes, but will not be counted for or against any particular proposal. If you do not provide your broker or nominee with instructions on how to vote your shares held in "street name," your broker or nominee will not be permitted to vote your shares on non-routine items. Under NYSE rules, Proposals 1 and 3 are non-routine items and Proposal 2 is a routine item. Your broker or nominee is not entitled to vote your shares on Proposals 1 and 3 without specific instructions from you on how to vote. Your broker or nominee is entitled, however, to vote your shares on Proposal 2 without your instructions. If you are the beneficial owner of ARC shares, we strongly encourage you to provide instructions to your broker regarding the voting of your shares.

#### **Voting Instructions**

If you properly complete and sign the accompanying proxy card and return it in the enclosed envelope, or submit your vote via electronic or telephonic means, it will be voted in accordance with your instructions. By doing so, you are authorizing the individuals listed on the proxy card to vote your shares in accordance with your instructions. The enclosed envelope requires no additional postage if mailed in either the United States or Canada.

If you are a record holder, and attend the meeting in person, you may deliver your completed proxy card in person at the meeting. Additionally, we will distribute written ballots to record holders who wish to vote in person at the meeting. If you attend the annual meeting, please bring the enclosed proxy card or proof of identification. If you are the beneficial holder of shares held in "street name," and you wish to vote at the meeting, you will need to obtain a proxy, executed in your favor, from your broker or other nominee and bring it with you to the meeting.

If your shares are held in "street name," you may be able to vote your shares electronically by telephone or on the internet. A large number of banks and brokerage firms participate in a program provided through Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. that offers telephone and internet voting options. If your shares are held in an account at a bank or brokerage firm that participates in such a program, you may vote those shares electronically by telephone or on the internet by following the instructions set forth on the voting form provided to you by your record holder.

#### Revoking your Proxy

If you are the record holder of your shares, you may revoke your proxy at any time before your shares are voted and change your vote:

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by signing another proxy with a later date and delivering it prior to the annual meeting in accordance with the instructions set forth in this proxy statement;

by giving written notice of your revocation to the Corporate Secretary of ARC prior to or at the meeting or by voting in person at the meeting; or

by attending the annual meeting and voting in person.

Your attendance at the meeting itself will not revoke your proxy unless you give written notice of revocation to our Corporate Secretary before your proxy is voted or you vote in person at the meeting. Any written notice of revocation, or later dated proxy, should be delivered to:

ARC Document Solutions, Inc. 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200 San Ramon, CA 94583 Attention: Tracey Luttrell, Corporate Secretary

If your shares are held in "street name" by a broker or other nominee, you must contact them in order to find out how to change your vote.

#### **Tabulating Votes**

Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. will tabulate and certify the votes. In addition, Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. will provide an inspector of election at the annual meeting.

#### Solicitation of Proxies

ARC is soliciting the proxies and will bear the entire cost of this solicitation, including the preparation, assembly, printing and mailing of this proxy statement and any additional materials furnished to our stockholders. Our directors, officers and employees may solicit votes and request proxies by telephone. Copies of solicitation materials will be furnished to banks, brokerage houses and other agents holding shares in their names that are beneficially owned by others so that they may forward the solicitation materials to the beneficial owners. In addition, if asked, we will reimburse these persons for their reasonable expenses in forwarding the solicitation materials to the beneficial owners. We have asked banks, brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries to forward all solicitation materials to the beneficial owners of the shares they hold of record.

#### Other Business

We know of no other business that will be presented at the annual meeting. If any other matter properly comes before the Company's stockholders for a vote at the meeting, the proxy holders will vote your shares in accordance with their best judgment.

#### PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

#### Nominees for Director

The board of directors currently consists of seven directors, each of whom has been nominated to serve for a term of one year or until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified. In December 2018, James F. McNulty retired from the board and is not standing for re-election in 2019. Ms. Cheryl Cook was appointed as a director to take Mr. McNulty's place on the board at the time of his retirement. Our board is not classified and thus all of our directors are elected annually.

Each of the nominees has consented to being named in this proxy statement and has agreed to serve as a member of the board if elected. The Company has no reason to believe that any nominee will be unable to serve. If a nominee is unable to stand for election, the board may either reduce the number of directors to be elected or select a substitute

nominee. If a substitute nominee is selected, the proxy holders will vote your shares for the substitute nominee, unless you have withheld authority to vote.

The affirmative vote of a plurality of the votes cast at the meeting is required to elect the seven director nominees listed below. This means that the seven nominees receiving the highest number of affirmative votes of the shares entitled to be voted for them will be elected as directors.

The following table sets forth the name of each nominee, the year in which each nominee first became a director of ARC, and the nominee's age as of March 4, 2019. Each of the nominees has served continuously as a director since first becoming a director of ARC.

Year	Age
Elected	
1998(1)	65
2018	51
2018	55
$2000^{(2)}$	54
2016	65
2006	64
2005	61
	Elected 1998 <sup>(1)</sup> 2018 2018 2000 <sup>(2)</sup> 2016 2006

Served as an advisor of American Reprographics Holdings, L.L.C., a California limited liability company ("Holdings"), since 1998 and as a director of the Company since October 2004. We were previously organized as

The following is a brief description of the principal occupation and business experience of each of our directors and their other affiliations.

Kumarakulasingam ("Suri") Suriyakumar has served as our President and Chief Executive Officer since June 1, 2007, and he served as our President and Chief Operating Officer from 1991 until his appointment as Chief Executive Officer. On July 24, 2008, Mr. Suriyakumar was appointed Chairman of our board of directors. Mr. Suriyakumar served as an advisor of Holdings from March 1998 until his appointment as a director of the Company in October 2004. Mr. Suriyakumar joined Micro Device, Inc. (our predecessor company) in 1989. He became the Vice President of Micro Device, Inc. in 1990. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Suriyakumar was employed with Aitken Spence & Co. LTD, a highly diversified conglomerate and one of the five largest corporations in Sri Lanka. Mr. Suriyakumar currently serves as Chairman of the board of directors of Mobitor, L.L.C., a privately-held company. ARC's board believes that as a founder of the Company with tremendous industry knowledge, a strong following within the Company, and demonstrated leadership skills in a variety of economic and market-driven environments, Mr. Suriyakumar possesses unmatched experience in, and insight into, all aspects of our business, and his service on the board is invaluable to ARC.

Bradford L. Brooks is currently President and CEO of OneLogin, a global leader in cloud-based identity and access management as a service. From January 2015 to June 2017, Mr. Brooks was CMO as well as the executive leader of product management and engineering for DocuSign. Mr. Brooks held senior executive level positions at Juniper Networks and Microsoft prior to DocuSign. The board believes that Mr. Brooks' extensive experience across multiple technology sectors, and his extensive executive leadership experience in enterprise-level technology product management, and in sales and marketing have provided him with a deep understanding of business matters. His business understanding, coupled with his broad operational expertise and his independent director status, make his service on the board valuable to ARC. Mr. Brooks has a Bachelor of Science in Economics from California State University, Chico, and a Masters of International Management from Thunderbird School of Global Management, Arizona State University.

Cheryl Cook was appointed as a director of the Company in December 2018 to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Mr. McNulty. Ms. Cook is currently a Senior Vice President at Dell EMC, and is responsible for spearheading development and strategy for Dell's Global Partner Marketing Organization and driving long-term partner marketing strategy. She joined Dell in 2011 from Nuance Communications where she served as a Senior Vice President, from February 2010 to February 2011, managing sales across all lines of business. Previously Ms. Cook

<sup>(1)</sup> Holdings and immediately prior to our initial public offering on February 9, 2005, we reorganized as American Reprographics Company, a Delaware corporation, and subsequently changed our name to ARC Document Solutions, Inc.

<sup>(2)</sup> Served as an advisor of Holdings since April 2000 and as a director of ARC since October 2004.

was a Senior Vice President at Sun Microsystems. Ms.Cook's business understanding, coupled with her broad sales and marketing expertise in technology fields and her independent director status, make her service on the board valuable to ARC. Ms. Cook has a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from the University of Florida.

Thomas J. Formolo served as an advisor of Holdings from April 2000 until his appointment as a director of the Company in October 2004. In 2013, Mr. Formolo founded New Harbor Capital, LLC, a lower middle-market private equity firm focused on growth buyout, investing into business services, health care and education companies. Since 1990, Mr. Formolo has also been employed by CHS Capital LLC (formerly known as Code Hennessy & Simmons LLC) ("CHS"), and has been a partner since 1997. CHS is a private equity firm based in Chicago, Illinois, that specializes in leveraged buyout and recapitalizations of middle-market companies in partnership with company management through its private equity funds. He has been a member

of the management committee of CHS since 2001. Mr. Formolo is currently a director of the following companies: New York Kids Club, Kure Pain Management, Community Psychiatry, Certica Solutions, Wedgewood Pharmacy, LGM Pharma, Ocean State Urgent Care, Fyzical, and Blueprint Education Holdings. The board believes that Mr. Formolo's financial acumen, experience in leveraged buyouts, his independent director status and the fact that our board of directors has determined that he is an "audit committee financial expert" under U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") guidelines, given his understanding of accounting and financial reporting, make his service on the board valuable to ARC. Mr. Formolo has a Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing, Finance and International Business from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a Masters of Business Administration from Northwestern University.

John G. Freeland was appointed a director of the Company in May 2016. From October 2007 to June 2012, Mr. Freeland served as President and CEO, and from June 2012 to December 2012 served as Executive Vice Chairman of Information Resources, Inc. (IRI), a leading global provider of information, insights and decision solutions. Previously, he was President Worldwide Operations for Salesforce, and a Managing Partner at Accenture, leading its Customer Relationship Management practice. Mr. Freeland currently serves as director of WNS (Holdings) Limited, a publicly-traded company. The board believes that Mr. Freeland's financial acumen, experience as a principal executive officer, his service as a director of publicly-traded companies, and his direct management experience in enterprise level, software/consulting sales have provided him with a deep understanding of business matters. His business understanding, coupled with his broad operational expertise, independent director status, and the fact that our board of directors has determined that he is an "audit committee financial expert" under SEC guidelines, given his understanding of accounting and financial reporting, make his service on the board valuable to ARC. Mr. Freeland earned his Bachelor of Arts in Economics and a Masters of Business Administration from Columbia University.

Dewitt Kerry McCluggage was appointed a director of the Company in February 2006 and lead independent director in 2007. Mr. McCluggage currently serves as the President of Craftsman Films, Inc., which produces motion pictures and television programs, a company he started in January 2002. An active investor in media-related companies, Mr. McCluggage previously served as a director of Content Media Corporation, Ltd., a private UK-based distributor of film and television products, which was publicly-traded on the AIM market but went private in 2012. Mr. McCluggage is also an equity investor in Trifecta Entertainment, LLC, offering independent syndication sales and barter advertising in the U.S. Mr. McCluggage served as President, and then in 1993, Chairman, of Paramount Television Group, where he was responsible for overseeing all television operations from 1991 until his resignation in 2002. Prior to that, Mr. McCluggage served as President of Universal Television from 1987 to 1991. The board believes Mr. McCluggage's principal executive officer experience, and his sales, marketing and operational experience has provided him with a deep understanding of business matters. As the film and television business has undergone a transition from analog to digital production, the Board believes his experience guiding this kind of transition is valuable to ARC, which is in the middle of a similar transition. Mr. McCluggage's independent director status also renders his service on the board valuable to the Company. Mr. McCluggage served on the board of directors of IDW Media Holdings, Inc. from September 2017 until February 2019, and as its CEO from July 2018 until February 2019. Mr. McCluggage has a Bachelor of Arts from University of Southern California and a Masters of Business Administration from Harvard Business School.

Mark W. Mealy was appointed as a director of the Company in March 2005. Mr. Mealy has served as Managing Partner of Colville Capital LLC, a private investment firm, since October 2005. Mr. Mealy also served as the Managing Director and Group Head of Mergers and Acquisitions of Wachovia Securities, Inc., an investment banking firm, from March 2000 until October 2004. Mr. Mealy served as the Managing Director, Mergers and Acquisitions, of First Union Securities, Inc., an investment banking firm, from April 1998 to March 2000, and as the Managing Director of Bowles Hollowell Conner & Co., an investment banking firm, from April 1989 to April 1998. Mr. Mealy is currently a director of the following companies: Motion & Flow Control Products, Inc., Kurz Industrial Solutions, Inc. and Stored Energy Holdings, Inc. The board believes that Mr. Mealy's financial acumen, experience in mergers

and acquisitions, his independent director status and the fact that our board of directors has determined that he is an "audit committee financial expert" under SEC guidelines, given his understanding of accounting and financial reporting, make his service on the board valuable to ARC. Mr. Mealy has a Bachelor of Arts degree from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE "FOR" THE ELECTION OF EACH OF THE SEVEN DIRECTOR NOMINEES LISTED ABOVE

# PROPOSAL 2 RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

#### **Appointment of Auditors**

Deloitte has been our independent registered public accounting firm and has audited our financial statements since 2009. The Audit Committee has appointed Deloitte to be our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019. ARC stockholders are asked to ratify this appointment at the 2019 annual meeting. Representatives of Deloitte will be present at the meeting to respond to appropriate questions and to make a statement if they so desire.

#### **Auditor Fees**

A summary of the services provided by Deloitte, our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, and fees billed for such services (in thousands), is as follows:

2018	2017
\$1,440	\$1,475
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\$5	\$5
\$1,445	\$1,480
	\$1,440 — — \$5

Consists of aggregate fees billed or expected to be billed for professional services rendered for the audit of our annual consolidated financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and reviews of our condensed consolidated financial statements in our quarterly reports during the fiscal years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Out-of-pocket expenses of \$49,000 and \$44,200 for the fiscal years

ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, are not included in the amounts shown above.

Pre-Approval of Audit and Non-Audit Services

pre-approval procedures described above.

The Audit Committee has adopted a pre-approval policy governing the engagement of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for all audit and non-audit services. The Audit Committee's pre-approval policy provides that the Audit Committee must pre-approve all audit services and non-audit services to be performed for the Company by its independent registered public accounting firm prior to their engagement for such services. The Audit Committee pre-approval policy establishes pre-approved categories of certain non-audit services that may be performed by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm during the fiscal year, subject to dollar limitations that may be set by the Audit Committee. Pre-approved services include certain audit related services, tax services and various non-audit related services. The term of any pre-approval is 12 months from the date of pre-approval, unless the Audit Committee specifically provides for a different period. The Audit Committee may delegate pre-approval authority to one or more of its members. The member(s) to whom such authority is delegated must report any pre-approval decisions to the Audit Committee at its next meeting. One hundred percent of the services provided by Deloitte during 2018 and 2017 were approved by the Audit Committee in accordance with the

Under Company policy and/or applicable rules and regulations, the independent registered public accounting firm is prohibited from providing the following types of services to the Company: (1) bookkeeping or other services related to the Company's accounting records or financial statements, (2) financial information systems design and

implementation, (3) appraisal or valuation services, fairness opinions or contribution-in-kind reports, (4) actuarial services, (5) internal audit outsourcing services, (6) management functions, (7) human resources, (8) broker-dealer, investment adviser or investment banking services, and (9) legal services.

The Audit Committee has sole authority to appoint ARC's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2019 pursuant to the terms of the Audit Committee Charter. Accordingly, stockholder approval is not required to appoint Deloitte as ARC's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2019. The board believes, however, that submitting the appointment of Deloitte to the stockholders for ratification is a matter of good corporate governance. If the stockholders do not

ratify the appointment of Deloitte, the Audit Committee will review its future selection of an independent registered public accounting firm.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE "FOR" THE RATIFICATION OF DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP AS ARC'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019

#### PROPOSAL 3

ADVISORY, NON-BINDING VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

We received a majority vote for our executive compensation program at our 2018 annual meeting, with approximately 97% of our stockholders who voted at the meeting approving our compensation practices.

The SEC recently amended the definition of "smaller reporting company" ("SRC") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), to allow more companies to take advantage of scaled disclosures (including disclosures regarding executive compensation). ARC is now an SRC under the amended definition and, as such, we are taking advantage of the reduced disclosure requirements regarding executive compensation, including the omission of the "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" section, as set forth under the Executive Compensation section, beginning on page 21 of this proxy statement.

It should be noted, however, that our compensation program for 2018 was based on pre-determined criteria and performance expectations similar to the program that was in place for 2017. In addition, our CEO's three-year employment agreement was amended in February 2018 to reflect a reduction in his base salary and adjusted annual incentive bonus terms to align with those of our other named executive officers ("NEOs").

We are requesting approval, in a non-binding vote, of the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, that the compensation paid to the Company's named executive officers, as disclosed pursuant to the compensation rules of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including in the compensation tables and the related narrative discussion contained in the Company's 2019 Proxy Statement, is approved."

The stockholder vote on Proposal 3 is advisory in nature and, thus, is not binding on the Company. The Compensation Committee, however, values the views expressed by the Company's stockholders in their vote on this proposal and, as it did in 2018 following ARC's annual meeting, will consider the outcome of the vote when making future compensation decisions for the Company's NEOs.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE "FOR" THE APPROVAL OF THE COMPENSATION OF OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS DISCLOSED IN THE 2019 PROXY STATEMENT

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PROFILE

We are committed to good corporate governance practices. As such, we have adopted corporate governance guidelines to enhance the effectiveness of our corporate governance practices. A copy of our Corporate Governance Guidelines can be accessed on our investor relations website, ir.e-arc.com, by selecting "Corporate Governance" from the navigation menu. You can request a printed copy of our Corporate Governance Guidelines, at no charge, by contacting Investor Relations at (925) 949-5100 or by sending a request by mail to 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583, Attention: David Stickney, Vice President Corporate Communications.

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines govern board member responsibilities, committees, compensation, access, education, management succession, and performance evaluation, among other things. The guidelines also set forth a non-exhaustive list of director qualification standards and the factors to be considered in making nominations to the board. While the selection of qualified directors is a complex, subjective process that requires consideration of many factors, our Corporate Governance Guidelines provide that the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will take into account the judgment, experience, skills and personal character of any candidate, as well as the overall needs of the board, in considering board candidates. Additional information on this process is set forth below in the section entitled "Director Qualifications."

We have adopted a Code of Conduct applicable to all employees, officers and directors, including our President and Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, which meets the definition of a "code of ethics" set forth in Item 406 of Regulation S-K of the Exchange Act. A copy of our Code of Conduct can be accessed on our investor relations website, ir.e-arc.com, by selecting "Corporate Governance" from the navigation menu. We will post any amendments to the Code of Conduct, and any waivers that are required to be disclosed by the rules of either the SEC or the NYSE, on our website.

#### Director Independence

Under our Corporate Governance Guidelines, independent directors must comprise a majority of our board. Our board has adopted independence requirements that reflect applicable NYSE rules and evaluates the independence of our directors annually, and at other appropriate times (e.g., in connection with a change in employment status) when a change in circumstances could potentially impact the independence of one or more directors.

In determining the independence of a director, the board considers whether a material relationship exists between the Company and each director and all relevant facts and circumstances, including:

The nature of any relationships with the Company;

The significance of the relationship to the Company, the other organization and the individual director;

Whether or not the relationship is solely a business relationship in the ordinary course of the Company's and the other organization's businesses, and does not afford the director any special benefits;

Any commercial, industrial, banking, consulting, legal, accounting, charitable and familial relationships and such other criteria as the board may determine from time to time; and

If a proposed director serves as an executive officer, director or trustee of a tax exempt organization, whether contributions from the Company, or any of its consolidated subsidiaries, to such tax exempt organization in any of the last three fiscal years are less than the greater of (i) \$1 million or (ii) 2% of the consolidated gross revenues of such tax exempt organization for its last completed fiscal year.

Pursuant to our Corporate Governance Guidelines, all members of the Audit Committee must also meet the following requirements:

Audit Committee members may not receive, directly or indirectly, any consulting, advisory or other compensatory fees from the Company or any of its subsidiaries (other than director fees paid for service on the Audit Committee, the board, or any other committee of the board).

No member of the Audit Committee may be an "affiliated person" (as defined under applicable SEC rules) of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

After considering our Corporate Governance Guidelines and the NYSE independence standards, the board has determined that, in its judgment, all of our current directors are independent, except for Mr. Suriyakumar who is our President and Chief Executive Officer. The board also determined that all members of the Audit Committee, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and the Compensation Committee are independent.

#### **Director Qualifications**

Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is responsible for identifying qualified individuals who may become members of our board of directors and recommending to the board director nominees for our annual meetings of stockholders and nominees to fill any vacancies that may occur on the board. In the context of the selection process, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee takes into consideration factors it considers appropriate to

ensure an effective board of directors that is able to fulfill its oversight function. While the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has not established an exhaustive list of specific minimum qualifications for board members, desired personal qualifications and attributes of directors include mature, practical and sound judgment; independence necessary to make an unbiased evaluation of management's performance and effectively carry out oversight responsibility; experience as a business leader; the ability to comprehend and analyze complex matters; strong personal and professional ethics and integrity; and a spirit of cooperation and collegiality that will enable our directors to interact effectively.

The board believes that each nominee named in this proxy statement possesses the characteristics described above. Our directors possess extensive leadership experience from various industry sectors, as well as experience on other boards of directors,

which, collectively, provide an understanding of different business processes, challenges and strategies. The diverse background and experiences of our directors (as described in the biographical information set forth under "Proposal 1 - Election of Directors") complement one another and provide a solid leadership framework required for the board to exercise its oversight function.

#### **Board Diversity**

The Company strives for diversity among its board members, management and employees. In keeping with this strategy, the primary goal of board composition is to achieve a diverse and complementary set of backgrounds and experiences that will benefit the strategic direction of the Company. In considering director nominees, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee takes into consideration those factors it considers appropriate to address the needs and situation of the Company at the time. While the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee does not have a formal policy regarding diversity, in practice, the Committee actively seeks candidates that offer diverse points of view about our business. It carefully considers the nominees' differences in background, experience, gender, and race, education, and overall skill set in order to ensure complementary perspectives and areas of expertise. This approach has provided a current board comprised of both male and female directors with diverse professional experiences, including individuals from the construction industry, cloud-based technology businesses, financial and services sectors and the entertainment industry. The diverse backgrounds and experiences of our current directors are described in the biographical information included under "Proposal 1 - Election of Directors."

#### Board Leadership Structure and Risk Oversight

#### **Board Leadership Structure**

Our board is currently comprised of six independent directors and one employee director. Mr. Suriyakumar has served as our President and Chief Executive Officer since 2007 and as the chairman of our board of directors since 2008. We believe that our current board leadership structure is appropriate for the Company because it allows for common, strong leadership, with one individual having primary responsibility for both board-level and operational matters. This structure eliminates the potential for confusion, promotes efficiency and provides clear leadership, which is appropriate for our company which has widespread domestic and international operations.

Our board has designated Mr. McCluggage, one of our independent directors, to serve as lead independent director. The lead independent director chairs regularly-scheduled executive sessions of the independent directors without management present; serves as the primary point of contact between members of management and the board, which facilitates communications and promotes efficiency; and performs such other functions as the independent directors may designate from time to time.

#### Risk Oversight

Senior management is responsible for assessing and managing the Company's exposure to risk on a day-to-day basis. Our board is responsible for general oversight of management in its assessment and management of day-to-day risks that affect the Company. The board fulfills its general risk oversight function periodically during board and board committee meetings. To supplement the board's general risk oversight function, the Audit Committee monitors the Company's financial statements and regularly reviews the Company's major financial risk exposures (and the steps management has taken to mitigate such exposures) and the Company's internal control over financial reporting. The Audit Committee also provides general oversight to the Company's internal audit and compliance functions. The Compensation Committee monitors the design and implementation of the Company's executive compensation program, as well as compensation matters relating to certain non-executive employees.

## Stock Ownership Guidelines

ARC's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee maintains minimum stock ownership requirements for the board's independent directors and all NEOs, which include a five-year window in which such ownership requirements should be met. The ownership threshold for the board's independent directors is three times their annual cash retainer. The ownership threshold for our CEO is five times base salary and the threshold for our other NEOs is two times base salary. Stock ownership for the purpose of the Stock Ownership Guidelines includes shares owned directly or indirectly; restricted shares, excluding restricted shares that remain subject to achievement of performance goals; and excludes stock options.

#### Clawback Policy

ARC maintains an executive compensation recovery policy pursuant to which the Company will seek to recover or cancel any performance-based compensation paid to an executive officer during the three-year period preceding the date as of which the Company is required to prepare restated financial results, in the event of ARC's material noncompliance with financial reporting requirements of applicable securities laws, to the extent that such compensation exceeds the amount that would have been paid to the executive officer had it been based on the restated results. The board of directors is authorized to administer this policy consistent with the requirements of Section 10D of the Exchange Act and applicable rules or standards adopted by the SEC and the NYSE or such other national exchange on which ARC's shares may be listed.

#### Director Attendance at Board and Committee Meetings

In 2018, no board member attended or participated in less than 75% of the aggregate of (i) the total number of board meetings (held during the period such person served as a director) and (ii) the total number of meetings held by all board committees on which such person served (held during the period such person served as a committee member).

#### **Board Meetings**

Our board of directors held six meetings in 2018.

#### **Board Committees**

Our board has the following committees: Audit Committee; Compensation Committee; and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Committee memberships are as follows:

Nominating and Corporate Governance

Audit Committee Compensation Committee Committee

Mark W. Mealy Bradford L. Brooks Dewitt Kerry McCluggage

(Chairman)(Chairman)(Chairman)Thomas J. FormoloThomas J. FormoloCheryl CookJohn G. FreelandDewitt Kerry McCluggageJohn G. Freeland

Mark W. Mealy

Each of our committees is governed by a charter. The charters for our committees may be found in the Corporate Governance section on our investor relations website, ir.e-arc.com, and are available, at no cost, to any stockholder who requests them by contacting Investor Relations at (925) 949-5100 or by sending a request by mail to 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583, Attention: David Stickney, Vice President Corporate Communications.

#### **Audit Committee**

The functions of our Audit Committee are described in the Audit Committee Charter and include, among other things, the following: (i) reviewing the adequacy of our internal accounting controls; (ii) reviewing the results of the independent registered public accounting firm's annual audit, including any significant adjustments, management judgments and estimates, new accounting policies and disagreements with management; (iii) reviewing our audited financial statements and discussing the statements with management; (iv) reviewing disclosures by our independent registered public accounting firm concerning relationships with the Company and the performance of our independent registered public accounting firm and annually recommending the independent registered public accounting firm; and

(v) preparing such reports or statements as may be required by securities laws. The Audit Committee Charter provides that the Audit Committee shall meet as often as it determines advisable but no less than quarterly.

Our board of directors has determined that all members of the Audit Committee meet the tests for independence and the requirements for financial literacy that are applicable to audit committee members under the rules and regulations of the SEC and NYSE. Our board of directors also has determined that all members of our Audit Committee are "audit committee financial experts" as defined by the applicable rules of the SEC and NYSE.

The Audit Committee held five meetings in 2018.

#### **Compensation Committee**

The functions of the Compensation Committee are described in the Compensation Committee Charter and include, among other things, evaluating and approving director and officer compensation, benefit and perquisite plans, and compensation policies and programs. The Committee may form and delegate authority to subcommittees when appropriate. Members of a subcommittee may include directors of the Company, employees of the Company, consultants or any other parties as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.

The board has determined that all members of the Compensation Committee meet the definition of independent director as established by the NYSE.

The Compensation Committee held three meetings in 2018.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The functions of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee are described in the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Charter and include, among other things, identifying individuals qualified to become members of the board, selecting or recommending to the board the nominees to stand for election as directors, developing and recommending to the board a set of corporate governance principles, and overseeing the evaluation of the board.

The board has determined that all members of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee meet the definition of independent director as established by the NYSE.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee held four meetings in 2018.

All of the nominees listed under "Proposal 1 – Election of Directors" are directors standing for re-election.

Stockholder Recommendations of Director Nominees

Our stockholders may recommend director nominees, and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider nominees recommended by stockholders. We have not received any recommendations from our stockholders requesting that the board or any of its committees consider a nominee for inclusion in the board's slate of nominees presented in this proxy statement for our 2019 annual meeting. A stockholder wishing to submit a director nominee recommendation for future annual meetings of stockholders must comply with the applicable provisions of our Second Amended and Restated Bylaws, as described in the item of this proxy statement entitled "Stockholder Proposals for the 2020 Annual Meeting." Nominees recommended by stockholders will be evaluated in the same manner as nominees recommended by the board and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider all relevant qualifications, as well as the needs of the Company, in order to comply with applicable NYSE and SEC rules.

#### Stockholder Communications with Directors

Stockholders seeking to communicate with the board should send correspondence to the attention of our Corporate Secretary at ARC Document Solutions, Inc., 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583. The Corporate Secretary will forward all such communications (excluding routine advertisements and business solicitations and other communications described below) to each member of the board, or if applicable, to the individual director(s) named in the correspondence.

ARC reserves the right to screen materials sent to its directors for potential security risks and/or harassment purposes, and ARC also reserves the right to verify ownership status before forwarding stockholder communications to the board and/or individual directors.

The Corporate Secretary will determine the appropriate timing for forwarding stockholder communications to the directors. The Corporate Secretary will consider each communication to determine whether it should be forwarded promptly or compiled and sent with other communications and other board materials in advance of the next scheduled board meeting.

If a stockholder or other interested person seeks to communicate exclusively with the non-employee directors, such communication should be sent directly to the Corporate Secretary who will forward any such communication directly to the Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The Corporate Secretary will first consult with and receive the approval of the Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee before disclosing or otherwise discussing the communication with members of management or directors who are members of management.

#### DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

#### **Cash Compensation**

We pay an annual cash fee of \$50,000 to each of our non-employee directors, payable quarterly. In addition, non-employee directors receive \$5,000 cash per year for duties as chairperson of any board committee.

#### **Equity Compensation**

In addition to cash fees, we grant each non-employee director a restricted stock award under our stock incentive plan for that number of shares of our common stock having an aggregate grant date value equal to \$60,000, based on the closing price of our common stock on the NYSE on the date of grant. Grants of restricted stock to our non-employee directors are made automatically each year on the date of our annual meeting, without any further action of our board of directors, and are intended to compensate non-employee directors for their service over the coming year. Each restricted stock award granted to our non-employee directors during each fiscal year vests 100% on the one-year anniversary of the grant date.

#### Reimbursements

We reimburse our employee and non-employee directors for reasonable travel expenses relating to attendance at board meetings and participation in director continuing education.

The following table summarizes compensation earned by our non-employee directors during fiscal year 2018. Mr. Suriyakumar, the Chairman of our board of directors, and our President and Chief Executive Officer, does not receive compensation for serving on our board of directors.

#### **Director Compensation**

For Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018

	Fees		
	Earned or	Stock	Total(3)
	Paid in	Awards <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	Total
	Cash		
Director	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Bradford L. Brooks	\$41,250(4)	\$60,000	\$101,250
Cheryl Cook	\$12,500	\$30,000	\$42,500
Thomas J. Formolo	\$50,000	\$60,000	\$110,000
John G. Freeland	\$50,000	\$60,000	\$110,000
Dewitt Kerry McCluggage	\$55,000 <sup>(5)</sup>	\$60,000	\$115,000
James F. McNulty	\$38,750(6)	\$60,000	\$98,750
Mark W. Mealy	\$55,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$60,000	\$115,000
Manuel J. Perez de la Mesa	\$12,500(8)	\$	\$12,500

<sup>(1)</sup> Reflects restricted stock awards granted under our 2014 Stock Incentive Plan ("2014 Plan"). One hundred percent of the shares subject to restricted stock awards granted in 2018 vest on the one-year anniversary of the date of grant. The amounts shown in this column reflect the fair value at the time of grant in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 718, Share-Based Payment. For a

<sup>(2)</sup> description of the assumptions and methodologies used to calculate the amounts in the table, see Note 2 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

<sup>(3)</sup> The amount of total compensation does not include amounts paid as reimbursement for reasonable travel expenses to attend board meetings and to participate in director continuing education.

- (4) Includes cash compensation of \$3,750 for serving as Chairman of the Compensation Committee for a portion of 2018.
- (5) Includes cash compensation of \$5,000 for serving as Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee for 2018.
- (6) Includes cash compensation of \$1,250 for serving as Chairman of the Compensation Committee for a portion of 2018. Mr. McNulty retired from the board in December 2018.
- (7) Includes cash compensation of \$5,000 for serving as Chairman of the Audit Committee for 2018.
- (8) Mr. Perez de la Mesa retired from the board in April 2018.

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

Our executive officers are appointed by our board of directors and serve at the discretion of our board of directors. The names, ages and positions of all of our executive officers as of March 4, 2019 are listed below:

Executive Age Position

Kumarakulasingam Suriyakumar 65 Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Dilantha Wijesuriya 57 Chief Operating Officer Rahul K. Roy 59 Chief Technology Officer Jorge Avalos 43 Chief Financial Officer

The following is a brief description of the business experience of each of our executive officers and their other affiliations. Biographical information for Mr. Suriyakumar is provided above under "Proposal 1 – Election of Directors."

Dilantha Wijesuriya joined Ford Graphics, a former division of the Company, in January 1991. He subsequently became president of that division in 2001, and became a Company regional operations head in 2004, which position he retained until his appointment as the Company's Senior Vice President, National Operations, in August 2008. Mr. Wijesuriya was appointed Chief Operating Officer of the Company on February 25, 2011. Prior to his employment with the Company, Mr. Wijesuriya was a divisional manager with Aitken Spence & Co. LTD, a highly diversified conglomerate and one of the five largest corporations in Sri Lanka.

Rahul K. Roy joined Holdings as its Chief Technology Officer in September 2000. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Roy was the founder, President and Chief Executive Officer of MirrorPlus Technologies, Inc., which developed software for the reprographics industry, from August 1993 until it was acquired by the Company in 1999. Mr. Roy also served as the Chief Operating Officer of InPrint Corporation, a provider of printing, software, duplication, packaging, assembly and distribution services to technology companies, from 1993 until it was acquired by the Company in 1998.

Jorge Avalos was appointed Chief Financial Officer in January 2015. From 2011 to his appointment as CFO, Mr. Avalos was Chief Accounting Officer and Vice President Finance of the Company. Mr. Avalos joined the Company in June 2006 as the Company's Director of Finance and became the Company's Corporate Controller in December 2006, and then Vice President, Corporate Controller in December 2010. Prior to joining the Company Mr. Avalos was employed with Vendare Media Group, an online network and social media company, as its controller. From September 1998 through March 2005, Mr. Avalos was employed in a variety of audit and management roles with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The following is the report of the Audit Committee with respect to the Company's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018. The information contained in this report shall not be deemed "soliciting material" or

otherwise considered "filed" with the SEC, and such information shall not be incorporated by reference into any future filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or the Exchange Act except to the extent that the Company specifically incorporates such information by reference in such filing.

All of the members of the Audit Committee are independent directors as required by the rules of the NYSE. The Audit Committee operates pursuant to a written charter adopted by the board.

The Audit Committee is responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process on behalf of the board. Management of the Company has the primary responsibility for the Company's financial reporting process, including the system

of internal controls over financial reporting. The Company's independent registered public accounting firm is responsible for performing an audit of the Company's consolidated financial statements and expressing an opinion as to the conformity of such financial statements with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The Audit Committee does not itself prepare financial statements or perform audits, and its members are not auditors or certifiers of the Company's financial statements.

In performing its responsibilities, the Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed with management and the independent auditors the audited consolidated financial statements in ARC's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018. The Audit Committee has also discussed with the independent auditors matters required to be discussed by standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ("PCAOB").

The Audit Committee received written disclosures and the letter from the independent auditors pursuant to the applicable requirements of the PCAOB regarding the independent auditors' communications with the Audit Committee concerning independence, and the Audit Committee discussed with the auditors their independence.

Based on the review and discussions described above, the Audit Committee has recommended to the board that the Company's audited financial statements be included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, for filing with the SEC.

Mark W. Mealy, Chairman Thomas J. Formolo John G. Freeland

#### BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF VOTING SECURITIES

The following table sets forth information, as of March 4, 2019, regarding the beneficial ownership of our common stock by:

each person who is known to us to own beneficially more than 5% of our common stock; each of our directors and each of our executive officers named in the Summary Compensation Table; and all directors, nominees and executive officers as a group.

The table includes all shares of common stock issuable within 60 days of March 4, 2019, upon the exercise of options or other rights beneficially owned by the indicated stockholders on that date. Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC and includes voting and investment power with respect to shares. The applicable percentage of ownership for each stockholder is based on 46,241,865 shares of common stock outstanding as of March 4, 2019. Shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options and other rights beneficially owned, to the extent exercisable within sixty days of March 4, 2019, were deemed outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of the person holding these options and other rights, but were not deemed outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person. The information on beneficial ownership in the table and footnotes below is based upon our records, the most recently-filed Schedules 13D or 13G and information supplied to us. To our knowledge, except under applicable community property laws or as otherwise indicated in the footnotes to this table, beneficial ownership is direct and the persons named in the table below have sole voting and sole investment control regarding all shares beneficially owned.

	Shares		
	Beneficially		
	Owned		
Name and Address* of Beneficial Owner	Number	Perce	ent
More than 5% Stockholders:			
Renaissance Technologies LLC <sup>(1)</sup>			
800 Third Avenue	3,502,061	7.57	%
New York, NY 10022			
Punch & Associates Investment Management, Inc. (2)			
7701 France Avenue South, Suite 300	3,042,636	6.58	%
Edina, MN 55435			
Dimensional Fund Advisors LP <sup>(3)</sup>			
Building One	2,795,818	6.05	07-
6300 Bee Cave Road	2,793,010	0.03	70
Austin, TX 78746			
BlackRock, Inc. <sup>(4)</sup>			
55 East 52nd Street	2,724,748	5.89	%
New York, NY 10055			
Directors and Executive Officers:			
Kumarakulasingam Suriyakumar <sup>(5)(6)(7)</sup>	4,866,436	10.52	2%
Bradford L. Brooks <sup>(8)</sup>	27,522	**	
Cheryl Cook <sup>(9)</sup>	12,658	**	
Thomas J. Formolo <sup>(8)(10)</sup>	212,895	**	
John G. Freeland <sup>(8)</sup>	58,068	**	
Dewitt Kerry McCluggage <sup>(8)(11)</sup>	74,405	**	
Mark W. Mealy <sup>(8)</sup>	130,444	**	
Rahul K. Roy <sup>(12)</sup>	811,753	1.76	%
Dilantha Wijesuriya <sup>(13)</sup>	1,272,342	2.75	%

Jorge Avalos $^{(14)}$  419,503 \*\* All directors and executive officers as a group (ten persons) 7,886,026 17.05%

- \* Except as otherwise noted, the address of each person listed in the table is c/o ARC Document Solutions, Inc., 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583.
- \*\*Less than one percent of the outstanding shares of common stock.
  - This information is based solely on an amended Schedule 13G filed by Renaissance Technologies LLC
- (1) ("Renaissance") on February 13, 2019. Renaissance has sole voting power over 3,213,900 shares and sole dispositive power over 3,320,458 shares.
  - This information is based solely on a Schedule 13G filed by Punch & Associates Investment Management, Inc.
- (2) ("Punch") on February 14, 2019. Punch has sole voting power over 3,042,636 shares and sole dispositive power over 3,042,636 shares.
  - This information is based solely on an amended Schedule 13G filed by Dimensional Fund Advisors LP
- (3) ("Dimensional") on February 8, 2019. Dimensional has sole voting power over 2,605,805 shares and sole dispositive power over 2,795,818 shares.
- This information is based solely on an amended Schedule 13G filed by BlackRock, Inc. ("BlackRock") on February 4, 2019. BlackRock has sole voting power over 2,652,785 shares and sole dispositive power over 2,724,748 shares.
- (Suriyakumar) Includes 250,000 shares of unvested restricted stock and 400,000 shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 4, 2019.
  - (Suriyakumar) Includes 2,620,664 shares held by the Suriyakumar Family Trust, which includes 2,501,330 shares
- (6) of common stock previously held by Micro Device, Inc. Mr. Suriyakumar and his spouse, as trustees of the Suriyakumar Family Trust, share voting and investment power over these shares.
  - (Suriyakumar) Includes 500,000 shares held by the Shiyulli Suriyakumar 2013 Irrevocable Trust, Shiyulli
- (7) Suriyakumar, Trustee. Also includes 500,000 shares held by the Seiyonne Suriyakumar 2013 Irrevocable Trust, Seiyonne Suriyakumar Trustee. Mr. Suriyakumar and his spouse could be deemed to have beneficial ownership of these shares but they disclaim beneficial ownership except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- (8) Includes 27,522 shares of unvested restricted stock.
- (9) (Cook) Includes 12,658 shares of unvested restricted stock.
  - (Formolo) Includes 12,740 shares held by Danish-Italian Investors, L.P., Series A and 32,441 shares held by the
- (10) Andersen-Formolo Family Foundation. Mr. Formolo could be deemed to have beneficial ownership of these shares but disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
  - (McCluggage) Includes 30,623 shares held be the Dewitt Kerry McCluggage and Victoria L. McCluggage Trust.
- (11) Mr. McCluggage and his spouse, as trustees of the Dewitt Kerry McCluggage and Victoria L. McCluggage Trust, share voting and investment power over the shares held by the trust.
- (Roy) Includes 171,667 shares of unvested restricted stock and 499,000 shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 4, 2019.
  - (Wijesuriya) Includes 171,667 shares of unvested restricted stock, 688,026 shares issuable upon exercise of
- outstanding stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 4, 2019, and 328,450 shares held by the Wijesuriya Family Trust. Mr. Wijesuriya and his spouse, as trustees of the Wijesuriya Family Trust, share voting and investment power over the shares held by the trust.
- (Avalos) Includes 171,667 shares of unvested restricted stock and 131,750 shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options exercisable within 60 days of March 4, 2019.

#### **EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION**

The following table sets forth information as of December 31, 2018, regarding all compensation plans previously approved by our security holders and all compensation plans not previously approved by our security holders.

	(a)	(b)	(c)
Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a))
Equity compensation			
plans approved by stockholders			
	2,758,717 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$5.06	_
2005 Employee	_	_	118,239
Stock Purchase Plan			110,237
2014 Pla <sup>(2)</sup>	2,498,493(3)	\$4.82	3,109,770 <sup>(4)</sup>
Equity compensation			
plans not approved	_		_
by stockholders			
Total	5,257,210		3,228,009

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents outstanding options to acquire shares of common stock granted under our 2005 Stock Plan.

### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

Our Compensation Committee has designed and implemented a program for our executives that provides a market competitive, performance-based compensation structure consisting of base salary, annual non-equity incentive plans based on pre-established metrics and simple formulas, as well as long-term equity awards. In 2018, ARC received a 97% favorable vote by stockholders regarding its advisory, non-binding proposal on executive compensation, commonly known as "say on pay."

The Compensation Committee annually reviews a market analysis of executive compensation plans of peer companies in similar industries and with similar financial metrics, such as revenue and market capitalization. The methodology of the 2018 analysis was reviewed by a third-party compensation consultant to ensure its integrity. In February 2019, after its review of the peer-company market analysis and public-company peers, the Compensation Committee determined the total compensation of our CEO and our other NEOs relative to the median of its peer group as follows:

Executive or Group			of Peer
	Peer Group Median Compensation	ARC Compensation	Group
			Median
All NEOs	\$6,481,062	\$5,971,525	92
CEO	\$2,876,971	\$2,338,500	<b>%</b> d

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes shares from the Company's 2005 Stock Plan subject to issuance under the 2014 Plan, as described in Section 5 of the 2014 Plan.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents outstanding options to acquire shares of common stock granted under our 2014 Plan.

As of December 31, 2018, 3,109,770 shares were available for issuance under the 2014 Plan, and as of March 4,

<sup>(4) 2019,</sup> after annual grants were made in the first quarter of 2019, 1,961,719 shares were available for issuance under the 2014 Plan.

Of note, our CEO's three-year employment agreement was amended in February 2018 to reflect adjustments to his base salary and annual incentive bonus terms. In particular, our CEO's salary was reduced from \$950,000 to \$800,000 and his incentive bonus opportunities for fiscal years 2018-2020 were aligned with our other NEOs based on quantitative performance metrics.

The 2018 pre-determined, quantitative targets for Messrs. Suriyakumar, Wijesuriya and Avalos are based on the Company's revenue, earnings per share, and cash flow from operations. Mr. Roy's pre-determined, quantitative targets are based on revenue and earnings per share, with a third target based on the achievement of certain technology-based objectives. Certain thresholds were required to be met for each quantitative target before any NEO was deemed to be eligible to receive an award.

In February 2019, the Compensation Committee determined that the NEOs were eligible to receive annual bonuses based on the achievement of their pre-determined 2018 corporate goals. These bonus awards continue to demonstrate the Company's pay-for-

performance philosophy. When pre-determined targets were not met in the past, as was the case for fiscal years 2015 through 2017, our CEO received no bonus and our other NEOs received bonuses of less than 50% of their base salaries.

Consistent with the SEC's recent amendments to the SRC definition, as defined under applicable SEC rules, ARC is taking advantage of its ability to condense disclosures in our SEC filings, including reduced executive compensation disclosures.

### 2018 Summary Compensation Table

Name and	Salary	Stock Bonus Awards	Option Awards <sup>(3)</sup>	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation		sation	Total n <sup>(4</sup> )
Principal Position (1) Kumarakulasingam	Year (\$)	(\$) <sup>(2</sup> <b>(</b> \$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Suriyakumar	2018\$822,500	— \$326,000 <sup>(5)</sup>		\$1,190,000 (6	)	\$25,713	\$2,364,213
President & Chief	2017\$950,000	<b>—</b> \$474,000 <sup>(7)</sup>			_	\$25,713	\$1,449,713
Executive Officer	2016\$950,000		_	_	_	\$24,948	\$974,948
Jorge Avalos	•	— \$163,500 <sup>(8)</sup>		\$368,900 (6)		\$29,557	\$871,957
Chief Financial	•	— \$308,100 <sup>(9)</sup>		\$62,000(10)	_	\$29,504	\$709,604
Officer	2016\$310,000	<b>—</b> \$146,000 <sup>(11)</sup>	)	\$62,000 <sup>(12)</sup>	_	\$28,655	\$546,665
Rahul K. Roy Chief Technology Officer	2018\$675,000	— \$163,500 <sup>(8)</sup>		\$668,250 (6)		\$25,713	\$1,532,463
	2017\$675,000	— \$308,100 <sup>(9)</sup>	_	\$270,000 <sup>(10)</sup>	_	\$25,713	\$1,278,813
	2016\$636,538	<b></b> \$146,000 <sup>(11)</sup>	)	\$270,000(12)		\$24,948	\$1,077,486
Dilantha Wijesuriya	·	— \$163,500 <sup>(8)</sup>			_	\$29,564	\$1,313,439
Chief Operating Office					_	\$29,504	\$1,000,104
	2016\$370,000	— \$182,500 <sup>(15)</sup>	\$200,000(16)	\$92,500(12)	_	\$27,077	\$872,077

In addition to our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer, our other NEOs (as defined in Rule 3b-7 of the Exchange Act) in 2018 were our Chief Technology Officer, Mr. Roy, and our Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Wijesuriya.

<sup>(2)</sup> Annual bonuses are reported in the "Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation" column. The amounts shown in this column reflect the fair value at the time of grant by the Company to the NEO in

<sup>(3)</sup> accordance with FASB ASC 718. For a discussion of the assumptions used in these calculations, see Note 2 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

(4) The amounts in this column are set forth in the table below.

Health. Life and 401(k)

Disability Company Total

Insurance Match

Premiums

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Executive	Year(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	
Kumarakulasingam Suriyakumar	2018\$25,713	_	\$25,713	
	2017\$25,713	_	\$25,713	
	2016\$24,948	_	\$24,948	
Jorge Avalos	2018\$27,344	\$2,213	\$29,557	
	2017\$27,344	\$2,160	\$29,504	
	2016\$26,352	\$2,133	\$28,665	
Rahul K. Roy	2018\$25,713	_	\$25,713	
	2017\$25,713	_	\$25,713	
	2016\$24,948	_	\$24,948	
Dilantha Wijesuriya	2018\$27,344	\$2,220	\$29,564	
	2017\$27,344	\$2,160	\$29,504	
	2016\$24,948	\$2,129	\$27,077	

- On August 30, 2018, Mr. Suriyakumar was granted 100,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 (5)
- (6) Payment of bonus based on his performance against his pre-determined quantitative performance objectives and also, in the case of Mr. Roy, his predetermined individual performance objectives ("MBOs") in 2018.
- On February 16, 2017, Mr. Suriyakumar was granted 100,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan.
- (8) On April 26, 2018, each of Messrs. Avalos, Roy and Wijesuriya was granted 75,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan.
- On February 16, 2017, each of Messrs. Avalos, Roy and Wijesuriya was granted 65,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan.
- (10) Payment of bonus based on his performance against his pre-determined individual MBOs in 2017.
- On February 18, 2016, each of Messrs. Avalos and Roy was granted 40,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan.
- (12) Payment of bonus based on his performance against his pre-determined individual MBOs in 2016.
- On February 22, 2018, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted an option to purchase 165,011 shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan.
- On February 15, 2017, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted an option to purchase 76,347 shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan.
- On February 18, 2016, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted 50,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014
- On February 18, 2016, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted an option to purchase 98,938 shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan.

# Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal 2018 Year-End

The following table provides information as of December 31, 2018 regarding outstanding equity awards held by the NEOs listed in the Summary Compensation Table.

	Option Awards				Stock Awards		
Executive	Number of Securitie Underlyi Unexerci Options (#) Exercisal	Options (#) Unexercisable	Equity Incentive Plan Awards; Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Unearned Options (#)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Number of Shares or Units of Stock that Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock that Have Not Vested (\$)(1)
Kumarakulasingam							
Suriyakumar	100,000	_		\$5.37	5/23/2022	$23,259^{(2)}$	\$47,681
	300,000	_	_	\$2.70	3/8/2023	66,667(3)	\$136,667
						100,000(4)	\$205,000
Jorge Avalos	$7,500^{(5)}$			\$8.20	5/21/2019	5,000(6)	\$10,250
C	$6,250^{(5)}$			\$8.20	5/21/2019	13,334 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$27,335
	15,000(5)			\$8.20	5/21/2019	43,334(3)	\$88,835
	20,000			\$5.37	5/23/2022	75,000(8)	\$153,750
	35,000			\$2.70	3/8/2023	_	_
	15,000	_		\$6.16	6/2/2024		_
	33,000	_	_	\$8.89	3/19/2025		
Rahul K. Roy	15,000(5)	· <u> </u>	_	\$8.20	5/21/2019	13,334 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$27,335
Ž	100,000		_	\$5.37	5/23/2022	43,334(3)	\$88,835
	250,000		_	\$2.70	3/8/2023	75,000(8)	\$153,750
	100,000		_	\$6.16	6/2/2024	_	_
	-	_	_	\$8.89	3/19/2025	_	_
Dilantha Wijesuriya			_	\$8.20	5/21/2019	16,667 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$34,167
	$12,500^{(5)}$		_	\$8.20	5/21/2019	43,334 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$88,835
	25,000 <sup>(5)</sup>			\$8.20	5/21/2019	75,000(8)	\$153,750
	13,858			\$6.20	2/19/2019	_	_
	45,249			\$8.66	3/15/2021	_	_
	63,941	_		\$5.62	4/26/2022	_	
	10,000			\$5.37	5/23/2022	_	_
	143,792			\$2.37	2/21/2023	_	_
	60,000			\$2.70	3/8/2023		_
	47,630			\$7.19	2/13/2024		_
	25,000	_		\$6.16	6/2/2024	_	_
	30,212	10,071(9)		\$9.09	2/11/2025	_	_
	46,000			\$8.89	3/19/2025	_	_
	49,469	49,469(10)		\$3.65	2/18/2026		_
	19,086	57,261 <sup>(11)</sup>		\$4.75	2/15/2027		_
		165,011 <sup>(12)</sup>		\$2.21	2/22/2028		
		,		,			

- (1) The market value of shares that have not vested is based on the closing stock price as of December 31, 2018, which was \$2.05.
- On February 11, 2015, Mr. Suriyakumar was granted 93,033 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan. The shares vest at a rate of 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date.
  - On February 16, 2017, Mr. Suriyakumar was granted 100,000 restricted shares and each of Messrs. Avalos, Roy
- (3) and Wijesuriya was granted 65,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan. The shares vest at a rate of 33.3% on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.
- On August 30, 2018, Mr. Suriyakumar was granted 100,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan. The shares vest at a rate of 33.3% on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.

  Under the Company's 2009 stock option exchange program, this stock option was exchanged for an option covering an equivalent number of shares with an exercise price of \$8.20, equal to the closing price of the Company's
- (5) common stock on the NYSE on May 21, 2009, the date of grant of the replacement option. Fifty percent of the shares subject to the option vested on the first anniversary date of grant and the remaining 50% of the shares subject to the option vested on the second anniversary of the grant date.
- On February 1, 2015, Mr. Avalos was granted 20,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan. The shares vest at a rate of 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date.
  - On February 18, 2016, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted 50,000, restricted shares and each of Messrs. Avalos and Roy
- (7) was granted 40,000 restricted shares of our common stock under our 2014 Plan. The shares vest at a rate of 33.3% on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.
  - On April 26, 2018, each of Messrs. Avalos, Roy and Wijesuriya was granted 75,000 restricted shares of our
- (8) common stock under our 2014 Plan. The shares vest at a rate of 33.3% on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.
- (9) On February 11, 2015, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted an option to purchase 40,283 shares that vests 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date.
- (10) On February 18, 2016, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted an option to purchase 98,938 shares that vests 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date.
- (11) On February 15, 2017, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted an option to purchase 76,347 shares that vests 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date.
- (12) On February 22, 2018, Mr. Wijesuriya was granted an option to purchase 165,011 shares that vests 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date.

#### Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change-in-Control

Our employment agreements with our NEOs require us to provide compensation and other benefits to our NEOs if their employment terminates or they resign under specified circumstances. The following is a summary of the potential payments upon termination of employment pursuant to the employment agreements in affect as of December 31, 2018 with our NEOs. The amounts specified below assume that employment terminated on December 31, 2018, and the calculations of the value of equity awards reflect the closing price of our common stock on the NYSE on December 31, 2018.

The severance payments and benefits described below are only payable if the NEO executes and delivers to us an agreement releasing us and our related parties for all claims and liabilities that the NEO may have against us and our related parties.

Under each of our employment agreements with Messrs. Suriyakumar, Avalos, Roy and Wijesuriya:

• Cause" means a willful refusal to perform the duties set forth in the agreement or as delegated to him, gross negligence, self-dealing or willful misconduct injurious to the Company, fraud or misappropriation of our business and assets,

habitual insobriety or use of illegal drugs, criminal activity involving moral turpitude, indictment or trial for a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, any felony conviction or guilty plea that harms the reputation or business of the Company, or material breach of the employment agreement or any material policy of the Company.

"Good Reason" means a material change in his respective title, duties and responsibilities set forth in the employment agreement, without his written consent, a reduction in his compensation, without his written consent, a material breach by the Company of any other material terms of the employment agreement, or a Change of Control, as a result of which he is not offered the same or comparable position in the surviving company, or within 12 months after accepting such position, he is terminated without Cause, or he terminates his employment for Good Reason, as provided in the employment agreement. A change in the officer to whom the executive reports, without his consent, also constitutes Good Reason under the employment

"Change of Control" means: (a) our being merged with any other corporation, as a result of which we are not the surviving company or our shares are not exchanged for or converted into more than 50% of the voting securities of the merged company; (b) our sale or transfer of all or substantially all of our assets; or (c) any third party becoming the beneficial owner in one transaction or a series of transactions within 12 months, of at least 50% of our voting securities.

agreements with Messrs. Avalos, Roy, and Wijesuriya,.

Kumarakulasingam Suriyakumar If Mr. Suriyakumar is terminated without Cause or his employment terminates for Good Reason, he is entitled to receive: (a) his base salary for twenty-four months following the effective date of termination; (b) earned but unpaid incentive bonus; (c) continued payment of premiums for him and his eligible dependents to remain covered by our group medical insurance programs, until the earlier of (i) medical insurance coverage being available through another employer, (ii) termination of eligibility for his children under our policies and applicable laws, or (iii) qualification of him and his spouse, in each instance, for Medicare coverage; (d) continued payment of employer-paid benefits, including without limitation, the lease of automobiles, for twenty-four months following the effective date of termination, provided that the annual cost to the Company shall not exceed \$10,000; and (e) immediate vesting of any unvested stock options, restricted stock or similar rights granted to him as of the effective date of termination. As of December 31, 2018, payment of all the foregoing in connection with termination of Mr. Suriyakumar's employment without Cause or for Good Reason would have totaled approximately \$3,253,663. Accelerated vesting of Mr. Suriyakumar's outstanding unvested stock options would not have resulted in any additional compensation. Accelerated vesting of Mr. Suriyakumar's unvested restricted stock would have resulted in vesting of 189,926 shares of unvested restricted common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2018, with an aggregate market value of approximately \$389,348. In the case of both stock options and restricted stock, the aggregate market value is based on the closing price on the NYSE on December 31, 2018.

Rahul K. Roy If Mr. Roy is terminated without Cause or his employment terminates for Good Reason, he is entitled to receive: (a) his base salary for 12 months following the effective date of the termination; (b) earned but unpaid incentive bonus; (c) continued payment of premiums for him and his eligible dependents to remain covered by our group medical insurance programs for the period in which he is entitled to continue to receive his base salary; and (d) immediate vesting of all unvested stock options, restricted stock or similar rights granted to him as of the effective date of termination. As of December 31, 2018, payment of all the foregoing in connection with termination of Mr. Roy's employment without Cause or for Good Reason would have totaled approximately \$1,638,882. Accelerated vesting of Mr. Roy's outstanding unvested stock options would not have resulted in any additional compensation. Accelerated vesting of Mr. Roy's unvested restricted stock would have resulted in vesting of 131,668 shares of unvested restricted common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2018, with an aggregate market value of approximately \$269,919. In the case of stock options the aggregate market value is based on the closing price on the NYSE on December 31, 2018.

Dilantha Wijesuriya If Mr. Wijesuriya is terminated without Cause or his employment terminates for Good Reason, he is entitled to receive: (a) his base salary for twelve months following the effective date of termination; (b) earned but unpaid incentive bonus; (c) continued payment of premiums for Mr. Wijesuriya and his eligible dependents to remain covered by our group medical insurance programs for twelve months following the effective date of termination; and (d) immediate vesting of all unvested stock options, restricted stock or similar rights granted to him as of the effective date of termination. As of December 31, 2018, payment of all of the foregoing in connection with termination of Mr. Wijesuriya's employment without Cause or for Good Reason would have totaled approximately \$1,224,461.

Accelerated vesting of Mr. Wijesuriya's outstanding unvested stock options would have resulted in vesting of 281,812 shares of common stock subject to unvested options as of December 31, 2018, with a fair market value of zero.

Accelerated vesting of Mr. Wijesuriya's unvested restricted stock would have resulted in vesting of 135,001 shares of unvested restricted common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2018, with an aggregate market value of approximately \$276,752. In the case of stock options the aggregate market value is based on the closing price on the NYSE on December 31, 2018.

Jorge Avalos If Mr. Avalos is terminated without Cause or his employment terminates for Good Reason, he is entitled to receive: (a) his base salary for twelve months following the effective date of termination; (b) earned but unpaid incentive bonus; (c) continued payment of premiums for Mr. Avalos and his eligible dependents to remain covered by our group medical insurance programs for twelve months following the effective date of termination; and (d) immediate vesting of all unvested stock options, restricted stock or similar rights granted to him as of the effective

date of termination. As of December 31, 2018, payment of all of the foregoing in connection with termination of Mr. Avalos' employment without Cause or for Good Reason would have totaled approximately \$986,413. Accelerated vesting of Mr. Avalos' outstanding unvested stock options would not have resulted in any additional compensation. Accelerated vesting of Mr. Avalos' outstanding unvested restricted stock would have resulted in full vesting of 136,668 shares of unvested restricted common stock as of December 31, 2018, with an aggregate market value of approximately \$280,169. In the case of both stock options and restricted stock, the aggregate market value is based on the closing price on the NYSE on December 31, 2018.

#### CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

Certain of our directors, executive officers, 5% beneficial owners and their affiliates have engaged in transactions with us in the ordinary course of business. The following is a description of such transactions during our fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, and the Company's policies and procedures applicable to such transactions.

Policies and Procedures Regarding Related Transactions

Our Related Party Transactions Policy provides that we will only enter into or ratify a transaction with a related party when our board of directors, acting through the Audit Committee, determines that the transaction is in the best interests of ARC and our stockholders.

For the purposes of this policy, a related party means:

- n member of the board of directors (or a nominee to the board of directors);
- an executive officer:
- any person who is known to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of any class of our securities; or any immediate family member of any of the persons listed above.

We review all known relationships and transactions in which ARC and our directors, executive officers, and significant stockholders or their immediate family members are participants to determine whether such persons have a direct or indirect interest. Our legal department is primarily responsible for developing and implementing processes and controls to obtain information regarding our directors, executive officers, and significant stockholders with respect to related party transactions and then determining, based on the facts and circumstances, whether ARC or a related party has a direct or indirect interest in these transactions. On a periodic basis, all transactions involving payments between ARC and any company that has an ARC executive officer or director as an officer or director are reviewed. In addition, our directors and executive officers are required to notify us of any potential related party transactions and provide us with the information regarding such transactions.

If it is determined that a transaction is a related party transaction, the Audit Committee must review the transaction and either approve or disapprove it. If advance approval of a transaction is not feasible, the chair of the Audit Committee may approve the transaction and the transaction may be ratified by the Audit Committee in accordance with the Related Party Transactions Policy. In determining whether to approve or ratify a transaction with a related party, the Audit Committee will take into account all of the relevant facts and circumstances available to it, including, among any other factors it deems appropriate, such as:

- the benefits to us of the transaction:
- the nature of the related party's interest in the transaction;
- whether the transaction would impair the judgment of a director or executive officer to act in the best interests of ARC and our stockholders;
- the potential impact of the transaction on a director's independence; and
- whether the transaction is on terms no less favorable than terms generally available to an unaffiliated third party under the same or similar circumstances.

Any member of the Audit Committee who is a related party with respect to a transaction under review may not participate in the deliberations or vote on the approval of the transaction.

Related Party Real Property Leases

During our fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, we were a party to real property leases with entities owned by our former Chairman of the Board, Mr. Sathiyamurthy Chandramohan, and our current Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Suriyakumar, for two of our facilities located in Costa Mesa, California, and Los Angeles, California. These facilities

are leased to us under written lease agreements between us and Sumo Holdings Costa Mesa, LLC and Sumo Holdings, LA, LLC, respectively. Messrs. Chandramohan and Suriyakumar are the only members of each of the Sumo Holdings limited liability companies.

Under these real property leases, we paid these entities rent in the aggregate amount of \$504,000 in 2018. We were also obligated to reimburse these entities for certain real property taxes and the actual costs incurred by these entities for insurance and maintenance on a triple net basis.

The real property leases described above were originally entered into by us between November 19, 1997, and February 1, 1999. Our board of directors determined that, as of the February 2005 closing of our initial public offering, we would not enter into any arrangements to lease any additional facilities from Messrs. Chandramohan and Suriyakumar or their affiliates. Our board of directors reviews and approves the renewal terms for any existing related party real property leases and requires that any extensions will not be approved if the proposed base rent exceeds the then-existing fair market rate in the applicable geographic market. Our Chief Financial Officer reviews relevant market data to ensure that lease term base rent for any extension term does not exceed the fair market rate and is authorized to consult with and retain the services of professionals, as necessary, to determine prevailing market rental rates.

### **Indemnification Agreements**

We have entered into, and expect to continue to enter into, indemnification agreements with our directors and executive officers that provide indemnification under certain circumstances for acts and omissions that may not be covered by any directors' and officers' liability insurance. The indemnification agreements may require us, among other things, to indemnify our officers and directors against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as officers and directors (other than liabilities arising from willful misconduct of a culpable nature), to advance their expenses incurred as a result of any proceeding against them as to which they could be indemnified, and to obtain officers' and directors' insurance if available on reasonable terms.

### Registration Rights Agreement

We have a registration rights agreement dating back to April 10, 2000, that is currently in effect only with respect to shares held by Mr. Suriyakumar and Mr. Chandramohan (or entities in which they control a majority of voting shares). The registration rights agreement entitles them to certain rights with respect to the registration of their shares under the Securities Act. These registration rights are summarized below.

Piggyback Registrations. If we propose to register any of our equity securities under the Securities Act (other than pursuant to a demand registration of registrable securities or a registration on Form S-4 or Form S-8) for us or for holders of securities other than the registrable securities, we will offer the holders of registrable securities the opportunity to register their registrable securities.

Conditions and Limitations; Expenses. The registration rights are subject to conditions and limitations, including the right of the underwriters to limit the number of shares to be included in a registration and our right to delay or withdraw a registration statement under specified circumstances. We will pay the registration expenses of the holders of registrable securities in demand registrations and piggyback registrations in connection with the registration rights agreement.

### SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires directors and certain officers of the Company and persons who own more than 10% of our common stock to file with the SEC initial reports of beneficial ownership (Form 3) and reports of subsequent changes in their beneficial ownership (Form 4 or Form 5) of ARC's common stock. Such directors, officers and greater-than-10% stockholders are required to furnish us with copies of the Section 16(a) reports they file. The SEC has established specific due dates for these reports, and ARC is required to disclose in this report any late filings or failures to file.

Based solely on our review of copies of the Section 16(a) reports received or written representations from such officers, directors and greater-than-10% stockholders, we believe that the Company's officers, directors and greater-than-10% stockholders timely filed all reports required under Section 16(a) during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Householding

Under rules adopted by the SEC, we are permitted to deliver a single set of any proxy statement, information statement, annual report and prospectus to any household at which two or more stockholders reside if we believe the stockholders are members of the same family. This process, called householding, allows us to reduce the number of copies of these materials we must print and mail. Even if householding is used, each stockholder will continue to receive a separate proxy card or voting instruction card.

The Company is not householding for those stockholders who hold their shares directly in their own name. If you share the same last name and address with another Company stockholder who also holds his or her shares directly, and you would each like to start householding for the Company's annual reports, proxy statements, information statements and prospectuses for your respective accounts, then please contact our Corporate Secretary c/o ARC Document Solutions, Inc., 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583, Attention: Tracey Luttrell, Corporate Secretary, telephone (925) 949-5100.

This year, some brokers and nominees who hold Company shares on behalf of stockholders may be participating in the practice of householding proxy statements and annual reports for those stockholders. If your household received a single proxy statement and annual report for this year, but you would like to receive your own copy this year, please contact our Corporate Secretary c/o ARC Document Solutions, Inc., 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583, Attention: Tracey Luttrell, Corporate Secretary, telephone (925) 949-5100, and we will promptly send you a copy. If a broker or nominee holds Company shares on your behalf and you share the same last name and address with another stockholder for whom a broker or nominee holds Company shares, and together both of you would like to receive only a single set of the Company's disclosure documents, please contact your broker or nominee as described in the voting instruction card or other information you received from your broker or nominee.

If you consent to householding, your election will remain in effect until you revoke it. Should you later revoke your consent, you will be sent separate copies of those documents that are mailed at least 30 days or more after receipt of your revocation.

#### Stockholder Proposals for the 2020 Annual Meeting

In order to present a proposal at our 2020 annual meeting, a stockholder must comply with the specific requirements set forth in our Second Amended and Restated Bylaws, including the requirement to provide notice in writing to our Corporate Secretary at our principal executive offices not later than the 90th day nor earlier than the 120th day before the one-year anniversary of our 2019 annual meeting of stockholders. The stockholder's notice must include the specific items set forth in our Second Amended and Restated Bylaws.

In order to submit a proposal for inclusion in our proxy materials for the 2020 annual meeting of stockholders, a stockholder must submit the proposal not later than November 26, 2019, and follow the other procedures set forth in Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act. If we hold our 2020 annual meeting of stockholders more than 30 days before or after May 1, 2020 (the one-year anniversary date of the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders), we will disclose the new deadline by which stockholders proposals must be received in our earliest possible Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q or, if impracticable, by any means reasonably determined to inform stockholders. Proposals must also comply with SEC regulations under Rule 14a-8 regarding the inclusion of stockholder proposals in company-sponsored proxy materials.

You may request a printed copy of the relevant provision of our Second Amended and Restated Bylaws regarding the requirements for presenting stockholder proposals at our annual meetings of stockholders by contacting our Corporate Secretary at (925) 949-5100 or by sending a request by mail to ARC Document Solutions, Inc., 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583, Attention: Tracey Luttrell, Corporate Secretary.

### **Additional Information**

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. The SEC maintains an internet site that contains annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy and information statements and other information that issuers file electronically with the SEC. The SEC's internet site is www.sec.gov.

Our investor relations internet address is ir.e-arc.com. We make available free of charge, on or through our investor relations webpage, our proxy statements, Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and any amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to the Exchange Act, as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. We also make available, through our investors relations website ir.e-arc.com, statements of beneficial ownership of our equity securities filed by our directors, executive officers, 10% or greater stockholders and others under Section 16 of the Exchange Act. The reference to our website address does not constitute incorporation by reference of the information contained in the website and should not be considered part of this document.

A copy of our Code of Conduct, as defined under Item 406 of Regulation S-K, including any amendments thereto or waivers thereof, our Corporate Governance Guidelines, and board committee charters can also be accessed on our investor relations website ir.e-arc.com by selecting "Corporate Governance" from the navigation menu. Our Code of Conduct applies to all directors, officers and employees, including our Chief Executive Officer, our Chief Financial Officer and our Controller. We will post any amendments to the Code of Conduct, and any waivers that are required to be disclosed by the rules of either the SEC or the NYSE, on our website.

You can request a printed copy of these documents, excluding exhibits, at no cost, by contacting Investor Relations at (925) 949-5100 or by sending a request by mail to 12657 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 200, San Ramon, CA 94583, Attention: David Stickney, Vice President Corporate Communications.

YOUR VOTE AT THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS IS IMPORTANT, NO MATTER HOW MANY OR HOW FEW SHARES YOU OWN. PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD AND RETURN IT IN THE ENCLOSED POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE PROMPTLY.

By order of the Board of Directors,

March 28, 2019

Tracey Luttrell
Corporate Counsel and Corporate Secretary

# VOTE BY INTERNET - www.proxyvote.com

Use the Internet to transmit your voting instructions and for electronic delivery of information up until 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time the day before the cut-off date or meeting date. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the web site and follow the instructions to obtain your records and to create an electronic voting instruction form.

#### ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS

ARC DOCUMENTIf you would like to reduce the costs incurred by our company in mailing proxy materials, you can SOLUTIONS, INC.consent to receiving all future proxy statements, proxy cards and annual reports electronically via ATTN: ARC Legal e-mail or the Internet. To sign up for electronic delivery, please follow the instructions above to vote using the Internet and, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access proxy Department 12657 ALCOSTA materials electronically in future years.

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200 VOTE BY PHONE - 1-800-690-6903

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and then follow the instructions.

#### **VOTE BY MAIL**

Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

### TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR

**RECORDS** 

THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION DATED.

**ONLY** 

For Withhold For All All All Except

To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee(s), mark "For All Except" and write the number(s) of the nominee(s) on the line below.

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

1. Election of Directors

Nominees

01 K. Suriyakumar 02 Bradford 03 Cheryl 04 Thomas J. 05 John G.

> Formolo Freeland L. Brooks Cook

07 Mark W. 06 Dewitt Kerry McCluggage Mealy

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2. and 3.

For Against Abstain

2. Ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as ARC Document Solutions, Inc.'s independent registered public accounting firm for 2019.

3. Approve advisory, non-binding vote on executive compensation.

NOTE: Transact any other business that may properly come before the annual meeting and any postponements and any adjournments of the annual meeting.

Yes No

Please indicate if you plan to attend this meeting

Please sign exactly as your name(s) appear(s) hereon. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, or other fiduciary, please give full title as such. Joint owners should each sign personally. All holders must sign. If a corporation or partnership, please sign in full corporate or partnership name, by authorized officer.

Signature [PLEASE SIGN WITHIN BOX] Date

Signature (Joint Owners) Date

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting: The Notice & Proxy Statement and Annual Report are available at www.proxyvote.com.

ARC DOCUMENT SOLUTIONS, INC.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders

May 1, 2019 9:00 AM PDT

This proxy is solicited by the Board of Directors

The undersigned hereby appoints Kumarakulasingam Suriyakumar, the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, President and a director of ARC Document Solutions, Inc., and Tracey Luttrell, Corporate Secretary of ARC Document Solutions, Inc., and each of them, with full power of substitution, proxies of the undersigned to vote all shares of Common Stock of ARC Document Solutions, Inc. held by the undersigned on March 4, 2019, at the annual meeting of stockholders to be held at the Roundhouse Conference Center, at 2600 Camino Ramon, San Ramon, CA 94583 on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. PDT, and at any postponements or adjournments thereof. Without limiting the authority granted herein, the above named proxies are expressly authorized to vote as directed by the undersigned as to those matters set forth on the reverse side hereof. If no directions are given, this Proxy will be voted "FOR" all of the director nominees named on the reverse side under Proposal 1, "FOR" Proposals 2 and 3. The above named proxies will vote in their discretion on all other matters that are properly brought before the annual meeting. The undersigned hereby revokes any proxy heretofore given to vote at such meeting.

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