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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

(RULE 14a-101)

## INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. \_\_\_\_)

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Preliminary Proxy Statement

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(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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\*\*\* Exercise Your Right to Vote \*\*\*

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on September 18, 2017.

**Meeting Information** Meeting Type: Annual Meeting **PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.** For holdgr31, 2017 as of: Date: September 18, 2017 Time: 4:30 p.m. CDT 1031 Mendota Heights Road St. Paul, Minnesota 55120 Location: You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the company named above. This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC. are available to you on the 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS ROAD Internet. You may view the ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55120 proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

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### **Before You Vote**

How to Access the Proxy Materials

# Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

NOTICE AND	ANNUAL REPORT
PROXY	INCLUDING FORM
STATEMENT	10-K

### How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) and visit: <u>www.proxyvote.com</u>.

# How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

- 1) BY INTERNET: www.proxyvote.com
- 2) *BY TELEPHONE*: 1-800-579-1639
- 3) BY E-MAIL\*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

\* If requesting materials by e-mail, please send a blank e-mail with the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) in the subject line.

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before September 4, 2017 to facilitate timely delivery.

### How To Vote

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to www.proxyvote.com. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

**Vote By Telephone:** You can vote by telephone by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card with a toll-free number for voting.

**Vote in Person:** Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

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Voting Items The Board of Directors Recommends you vote "FOR" the listed nominees in Item 1, "FOR" Item 2, "1 YEAR" on Item 3 and "FOR" Item 4.

To elect eight directors to have terms expiring 1. in 2018, and until their successors shall be elected and duly qualified.

1a. John D. Buck
1b. Alex N. Blanco
1c. Jody H. Feragen
1d. Sarena S. Lin
1e. Ellen A. Rudnick
1f. Neil A. Schrimsher
1g. Les C. Vinney
1h. James W. Wiltz

2. Advisory approval of executive compensation.

3. Advisory vote on frequency of shareholder votes on executive compensation.

4. To ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending April 28, 2018.

**NOTE:** At their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote on any other business properly brought before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

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