

FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC  
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January 03, 2018

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the  
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**FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.**

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)  
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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on February 14, 2018.**

**FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.**

ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY  
SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting  
**For holders as of:** December 18, 2017  
**Date:** February 14, 2018 **Time:** 9:30 AM PT  
**Location:** H.L. JAMIESON AUDITORIUM  
ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY, BUILDING 920  
SAN MATEO, CA 94403  
**Directions:** <http://investors.franklinresources.com/investor-relations/stockholder-services/annual-meeting-materials>  
**Admission Ticket - Not Transferable**

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 are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at [www.proxyvote.com](http://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.

**If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, please present this notice to gain admittance to the meeting.**

## — Before You Vote —

### How to Access the Proxy Materials

**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT      ANNUAL REPORT

**How to View Online:**

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

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| 1) <i>BY INTERNET:</i>  | <a href="http://www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a>                   |
| 2) <i>BY TELEPHONE:</i> | 1-800-579-1639   |
| 3) <i>BY E-MAIL*:</i>   | <a href="mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com">sendmaterial@proxyvote.com</a> |

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## — How To Vote —

### Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

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**Vote In Person:** Many stockholder 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 meeting 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 a vote FOR all the nominees listed.**

1. Election of Directors

**Nominees:**

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|-----|------------------------|
| 1a. | Peter K. Barker        |
| 1b. | Mariann Byerwalter     |
| 1c. | Charles E. Johnson     |
| 1d. | Gregory E. Johnson     |
| 1e. | Rupert H. Johnson, Jr. |
| 1f. | Mark C. Pigott         |
| 1g. | Chutta Ratnathicam     |
| 1h. | Laura Stein            |
| 1i. | Seth H. Waugh          |
| 1j. | Geoffrey Y. Yang       |

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Proposal 2.**

2. To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018.

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST the following proposal.**

3. Stockholder proposal requesting a Board report on lobbying activities and expenditures, if properly presented at the Annual Meeting.
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