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The following executive changes were announced this week:

Paychex said former IBM executive Jonathan Judge Jonathan Judge will succeed B. Thomas Golisano B. Thomas Golisano as president and chief executive. The billionaire founder of Paychex will remain chairman. Judge spent 25 years at IBM, becoming general manager of its \$10 billion personal computing division before moving on to take the head job at **Crystal Decisions**, a Canadian information management software company, in 2002. [More...](#)

Office Depot Chairman and CEO Bruce Nelson Bruce Nelson has resigned after four years at the helm. Neil Austrian Neil Austrian , a board member and head of the finance committee, was named to replace Nelson temporarily. A company news release said Nelson had resigned by mutual agreement with the board. [More...](#)

Spherion announced President Roy G. Krause Roy G. Krause has been named chief executive. Krause joined the company in 1995 and served as chief financial officer until he was appointed president and chief operating officer in 2003. [More...](#)

Linear Technology said CEO Robert Swanson Robert Swanson will shift to a new role as executive chairman. Chief Operating Officer Lothar Maier Lothar Maier will be named CEO, effective Jan. 4. Maie been chief operating officer at Linear for the past five years, joining the company from **Cypress Semiconductor**, where he served as senior vice president and executive vice president of worldwide operations. [More...](#)

Cascade Natural Gas named W. Brian Matsuyama W. Brian Matsuyama vice chairman, effective Oct. 1, allowing him to transition into retirement. Matsuyama, who has been chief executive since 1995, will serve as acting president and chief executive while the company searches for a permanent replacement. [More...](#)

Arden Group named Debra L. Jensen Debra L. Jensen chief financial officer,

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