

## Principal Parties Involved in the Establishment of The Pearson Institute for the Study and Resolution of Global Conflicts and The Pearson Global Forum

## SELECTED BACKGROUND FOR MEDIA USE

A landmark \$100 million gift to the University of Chicago from The Thomas L. Pearson and The Pearson Family Members Foundation ("The Pearson Family Foundation") will establish The Pearson Institute for the Study and Resolution of Global Conflicts and The Pearson Global Forum, the first research institute and annual global forum of their kind devoted solely to the study and resolution of global conflicts, at the Harris School of Public Policy.

The \$100 million gift was made to the University of Chicago at the direction of Thomas L. Pearson and Timothy R. Pearson, Chairman and President & CEO, respectively, of The Pearson Family Foundation. The Pearsons are business entrepreneurs, investors and philanthropists with a long-standing interest in the resolution of global disputes and conflicts.

## **About The Pearson Family**

The Thomas L. Pearson and The Pearson Family Members Foundation, through programs supported by its U.S.-based private philanthropy fund and foundation, seeks to encourage the study and resolution of global conflicts. This mission reflects the legacy of Rev. Dr. Richard L. and Ramalee E. Pearson, in combination with the Pearson Family's continued commitment to making a difference in the global society in which we live.

Thomas L. Pearson: Founder and Chairman, The Thomas L. Pearson and The Pearson Family Members Foundation, business entrepreneur, investor and philanthropist

Timothy R. Pearson: President & CEO, The Thomas L. Pearson and The Pearson Family Members Foundation, sought-after business and marketing advisor, best selling author and philanthropist

Jacquelyn K. Pearson, Vice President, The Thomas L. Pearson and The Pearson Family Members Foundation, business entrepreneur and philanthropist; spouse of Thomas L. Pearson

Philip K. Pearson Vice President, The Thomas L. Pearson and The Pearson Family Members Foundation, technology news aggregator and publisher, and philanthropist; brother of Thomas and Timothy

David L. Pearson: Vice President The Thomas L. Pearson and The Pearson Family Members Foundation, advocate and philanthropist; brother of Thomas and Timothy

Rev. Dr. Richard L. Pearson: Father of the Pearson brothers and retired minster from Iowa committed to causes of social justice (deceased)

Ramalee E. Pearson: Mother of the Pearson brothers and college professor who taught religion and theater (deceased)