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ETHAN ALLEN INTERIORS INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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DGB Investment, Inc. (“DGB Investment”), Douglas G. Bergeron and the other participants named herein (collectively, “DGB”) have filed a definitive proxy statement and accompanying **WHITE** universal proxy card with the Securities and Exchange Commission to be used to solicit votes for the election of its slate of highly qualified director nominees at the 2026 annual meeting of stockholders of Ethan Allen Interiors Inc., a Delaware corporation.

Item 1: On October 26, 2026, DGB issued the following press release:

Leading Independent Proxy Advisory Firm Glass Lewis Recommends Ethan Allen Shareholders Vote the WHITE Proxy Card “FOR” All Five of Doug Bergeron’s Director Nominees

Recommends Shareholders “WITHHOLD” Votes from All Five Incumbent Directors

More Than a Decade After Supporting the Board in 2015, Glass Lewis Cites Persistent Underperformance, Unfulfilled Promises of Growth, and Failures of Board Oversight

Endorses Mr. Bergeron’s Nominees and Their Clear Plan to Restore Shareholder Value, Concluding That Maintaining the Status Quo Poses Greater Risk to the Company

Mr. Bergeron Urges Shareholders to Follow Glass Lewis’ and Egan-Jones’ Recommendations and Vote the WHITE Proxy Card “FOR” ALL Five of His Nominees

PARK CITY, Utah--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Doug Bergeron, a significant shareholder of Ethan Allen Interiors Inc. (“Ethan Allen” or the “Company”) (NYSE: ETD) with beneficial ownership, collectively with his affiliates and associates, of approximately 5.2% of Ethan Allen’s outstanding common stock, today announced that leading independent proxy advisory firm Glass, Lewis & Co. (“Glass Lewis”) has recommended that Ethan Allen shareholders vote on the **WHITE** universal proxy card **“FOR” ALL FIVE** of his highly qualified director nominees to the Board of Directors (the “Board”) – Douglas G. Bergeron, Anna Brockway, Kristine E. Miller, Steve Oblak, and Stefanie Tsen Ward – at the Company’s 2026 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”) on November 4, 2026.

Glass Lewis recommended that shareholders **“WITHHOLD”** votes from all five incumbent directors, including Chairman and Chief Executive Officer M. Farooq Kathwari. The recommendation follows Egan-Jones Proxy Services’ (“Egan-Jones”) endorsement of Mr. Bergeron’s five director nominees and its recommendation to withhold votes from each incumbent director.

Mr. Bergeron commented, “Glass Lewis carefully weighed the potential paths forward and concluded that the greatest risk to Ethan Allen is leaving it in the hands of the incumbent directors. We agree. Glass Lewis’ recommendation is a resounding indictment of the incumbent Board – thoroughly dismantling the Board’s attempted defenses to our campaign – and serves as powerful validation of our case for change. After more than a decade of declining performance, broken promises, and failed oversight, Glass Lewis has concluded that the status quo is no longer defensible.

“With both Glass Lewis and Egan-Jones recommending that shareholders elect all five of our highly qualified nominees, the message is clear: Ethan Allen needs comprehensive Board change now. On November 4, shareholders have an opportunity to turn the page on years of underperformance and absent accountability by electing a new Board with the expertise and urgency required to renew this American icon. We urge shareholders to follow the recommendations of Glass Lewis and Egan-Jones and vote **FOR all five** of our nominees on the **WHITE** universal proxy card.”

In commenting on Ethan Allen's persistent underperformance, unfulfilled promises of growth, selective disclosures, and failures of Board oversight, Glass Lewis stated:*

- “Ethan Allen is, by most relevant standards, a short-, mid- and long-term underperformer, with incumbent management and the board overseeing near-continuous structural regression and what appears to be an increasingly risky capital program, in all cases despite regular promises of imminent yields and attractive value.”
- “It should be noted similar pledges underscored the board's 2015 campaign defense, leading us to conclude at that time that representatives of Ethan Allen should be afforded more time to capture accelerated growth and improved performance. While acknowledging a limited overlap of continuing incumbent directors since that time, more than ten years on, and with persistently worst-in-class growth and materially substandard returns on the books, the returns are in.”
- “In sum, the board effectively asks investors to discard the exceptionally evident in favor of the speciously selective, focusing on tightly framed metrics and targeted performance windows in a curated bid to hold the line. Tactical efficacy proves limited, as the preponderance of factors comprehensively establishes that Ethan Allen is in persistent operational decline, amplified by the long-term prioritization of cash distributions over durable growth.”
- “Against a relatively imbalanced quantitative backdrop, management and the board had an opportunity to shift the narrative by disclosing 1Q results in advance of the meeting... With strategic and operational credibility on the line, updated metrics demonstrating even incipient success would be a boon. Instead, the board is necessarily fighting the impression that it is furtively punting on disclosure which may be damaging to its case.”
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 - “With regard to DGB's candidates, the slate appears compelling relative to the status quo... These skill sets appear to speak directly to the very issues with which the current board seems to struggle, and reasonably portend a more rigorous assessment of value-maximizing alternatives prospectively available to Ethan Allen.”
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Item 3: Also on October 26, 2026, DGB posted the following materials on LinkedIn and X.com:

**Ethan Allen Growth**
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In making its recommendation, Glass Lewis cited persistent underperformance, unfulfilled promises of growth, and failures of Board oversight, concluding that the status quo is no longer defensible. It also found that our nominees' skill sets speak directly to the issues facing the Company, and that our strategic agenda and plan offer shareholders a credible path to restoring value.

With both Glass Lewis and Egan-Jones recommending all five of our nominees, the message is clear: Ethan Allen needs change now.

Read more here: <https://lnkd.in/eBt-RH79>

Vote the WHITE universal proxy card FOR [Doug Bergeron](#), [Anna Brockway](#), [Kris Miller](#), [Steve Oblak](#) and [Stefanie Tsen Ward](#) before the November 4 Annual Meeting.

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Leading independent proxy advisory firm Glass Lewis recommends Ethan Allen ([SETD](#)) shareholders vote the WHITE universal proxy card "FOR" ALL FIVE of Doug Bergeron's nominees and "WITHHOLD" on all five incumbent directors.



From businesswire.com

Item 4: Also on October 26, 2026, DGB posted the following material to www.EthanAllenGrowth.com:



Materials

Press Releases



Leading Independent Proxy Advisory Firm Glass Lewis Recommends Ethan Allen Shareholders Vote the WHITE Proxy Card "FOR" All Five of Doug Bergeron's Director Nominees

10.26.26 BUSINESS WIRE



Independent Proxy Advisory Firm Egan-Jones Recommends Ethan Allen Shareholders Vote the White Proxy Card "For" All Five of Doug Bergeron's Director Nominees

10.20.26 BUSINESS WIRE



Doug Bergeron Comments on Ethan Allen's Decision to Report First Quarter Results After 2026 Annual Meeting

10.19.26 BUSINESS WIRE



"Where Are the Numbers?" Doug Bergeron Calls on Ethan Allen to Release First Quarter Results Before November 4 Board Vote

10.18.26 BUSINESS WIRE



The Right Nominees and Plan to Renew an American Icon: Doug Bergeron Sends Letter to Ethan Allen Shareholders

10.15.26 BUSINESS WIRE



Doug Bergeron Releases Investor Presentation Highlighting Urgent Need for Change and Clear Plan to Revitalize Growth at Ethan Allen

10.13.26 BUSINESS WIRE



Doug Bergeron Launches Video Series Featuring Five Director Nominees and Their Plan to Restore Growth at Ethan Allen

10.1.26 BUSINESS WIRE



Doug Bergeron Files Definitive Proxy Statement for Ethan Allen's 2026 Annual Meeting and Sends Letter to Shareholders

9.22.26 BUSINESS WIRE



Doug Bergeron Comments on Ethan Allen's Reactionary "Succession Plan"

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Doug Bergeron Launches Search for New CEO of Ethan Allen

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Doug Bergeron Files Preliminary Proxy Statement for Ethan Allen's 2026 Annual Meeting

9.4.26 BUSINESS WIRE



Doug Bergeron Comments on Latest Self-Serving Tactics by Ethan Allen Board

8.20.26 BUSINESS WIRE



Doug Bergeron Launches Campaign to Revitalize Growth at Ethan Allen and Nominates Alternative Slate of Director Candidates

8.5.26 BUSINESS WIRE

Important Materials



Doug Bergeron Letter to Ethan Allen Shareholders: The Right Nominees and Plan to Renew an American Icon

10.15.26



Investor Presentation

10.13.26



Doug Bergeron Letter to Ethan Allen Shareholders

Media Coverage

	Proxy advisory firm Glass Lewis backs Bergeron in Ethan Allen fight 10.25.26 REUTERS
	Ethan Allen Delays Earnings Until After Bergeron Vote 10.20.26 THE DEAL
	Financial firm supports investor group in Ethan Allen proxy fight 10.20.26 WOODWORKING NETWORK
	DGB Offers Ethan Allen CEO a Non-Board Advisory Role 10.13.26 BLOOMBERG
	Ethan Allen Launches CEO Search Amid Bergeron Fight 9.21.26 THE DEAL
	Ethan Allen Activist Investor Plans to Conduct Own CEO Search 9.10.26 BLOOMBERG
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	Furniture Firm Ethan Allen Pushed by Activist to Replace Board 8.5.26 BLOOMBERG
	Need CEO Search For Ethan Allen: Bergeron 8.5.26 BLOOMBERG
	13D Monitor Report on Ethan Allen Interiors, Inc. (ETD) 8.5.26 13D MONITOR

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