



# Automotive Sector Update and Outlook

Friday, March 27th at 1:00 pm ET/12:00 pm CT

Stephens is hosting a conference call with Jim Press, President of RML Automotive, a Dallas-based automotive dealership group. Former CEO of Chrysler and COO Toyota North America. We will be discussing the current operating environment and outlook for car dealerships and the automotive sector.

### About Jim Press



Jim Press serves as president of **RML Automotive**, a \$1.4-billion operation consisting of 24 dealerships and 53 automotive franchises across the United States. In this role, Press is responsible for strategic planning and coordination between existing dealerships, pursuing new auto-related business opportunities and growing RML's domestic footprint.

Jim Press brings over 40 years of industry experience to RML, including having spent 37 years with Toyota Motor Company, where he led the company during one of its most successful eras as president and COO. As Toyota's highest-ranking American, Mr. Press was responsible for overseeing all aspects of the business, from design to operation. He also served as the company's first non-Japanese Board member.

In 2007, Mr. Press was recruited by Chrysler Corporation to become the company's president and vice chair. In this role, Mr. Press headed Chrysler's sales and marketing efforts and was responsible for the company's brands and dealerships. The same year, the Automotive Industry Action Group named Mr. Press "Automotive Industry Executive of the Year." Most recently, Mr. Press served as a senior advisor to Nissan-Renault.

**Conference call date and time subject to change. To join the call or to obtain more information, please contact your Stephens sales representative.**

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