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Libby Sartain is a Senior Fellow, Human Capital at The Conference Board. In this role, Sartain supports the Human Capital Practice which includes *The Conference Board Human Capital Exchange*™, research, conferences, webcasts and programs in a broad spectrum of human capital areas. In addition to serving as a Senior Fellow, Libby Sartain is now an active business advisor and Board Member after a distinguished 30-year career in human resources.

As CHRO of both Yahoo! Inc. and Southwest Airlines, Sartain led significant business transformation initiatives as a member of executive leadership teams and guided global human resources efforts focusing on attracting, retaining, and developing employees. Her focus has been growth companies where she developed employment brand strategies that helped grow the workforce exponentially while establishing company reputation as a leading employer of choice. Both Yahoo and Southwest were listed on the Fortune 100 Best Companies To Work For in America and the Fortune 500 during her tenure.

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Sartain served as chairman of the board of the Society for Human Resource Management in 2001 and was named fellow of the National Academy of Human Resources in 1998. Human Resources Executive named her as one of the 25 most powerful women in HR in 2005.

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