

Carl Icahn Quotes

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Some people get rich studying artificial intelligence. Me, I make money studying natural stupidity.

~Carl Icahn

When friends and acquaintances are telling you [that] you are a genius, before you accept their opinion, take a moment to remember what you always thought of their opinions in the past.

~Carl Icahn

A great company in the media business needs visionary leaders, not a conglomerate structure headquartered in Columbus Circle that second guesses.

~Carl Icahn

In life and business, there are two cardinal sins. The first is to act precipitously without thought and the second is to not act at all.

~Carl Icahn

You learn in this business.. If you want a friend, get a dog.

~Carl Icahn

When most investors, including the pros, all agree on something, they're usually wrong.

~Carl Icahn

Don't confuse luck with skill when judging others, and especially when judging yourself.

~Carl Icahn

We want these assets to be productive. We buy them. We own them. To say we care only about the short term is wrong. What I care about is seeing these assets in the best hands

~Carl Icahn

I enjoy the hunt much more than the "good life" after the victory.

~Carl Icahn

Everything I have is for sale, except for my kids and possibly my wife.

~Carl Icahn

CEOs are paid for doing a terrible job. If the system wasn't so messed up, guys like me wouldn't make this kind of money.

~Carl Icahn

I like winning. There's also a certain joy in it. I feel fulfilled by it.

~Carl Icahn

The CEO is, by far, the most important decision for a company... The company is going to rise and fall with the CEO.

~Carl Icahn

Don't go in and tell somebody else how to run their business.

~Carl Icahn

I have to look out for the shareholder's interests, and I'm the largest shareholder.

~Carl Icahn

When nobody wants something, that creates an opportunity.

~Carl Icahn

I can tell you how bad our boards are... I don't have to watch Saturday Night Live anymore; I just go to the board meetings.

~Carl Icahn

We have bloated bureaucracies in Corporate America. The root of the problem is the absence of real corporate democracy.

~Carl Icahn

With some exceptions, the wrong people are running U.S. companies. It's been that way for years, and it hasn't gotten much better.

~Carl Icahn

A lot of people died fighting tyranny. The least I can do is vote against it.

~Carl Icahn

My wife watches me like a hawk.

~Carl Icahn

Had a nice conversation with Tim Cook today. Discussed my opinion that a larger buyback should be done now. We plan to speak again shortly.

~Carl Icahn

Too often it's not the most creative guys or the smartest. Instead, it's the ones who are best at playing politics and soft-soaping their bosses. Boards don't like tough, abrasive guys.

~Carl Icahn

I'm no robin hood, I enjoy making the money.

~Carl Icahn

We're not about liquidating companies, but if you do that, why is that terrible? We're not blowing up the factories. The person who buys it should be able to make the asset more productive.

~Carl Icahn

I believe there are and will be major opportunities to enhance Time Warner's value in future combinations.

~Carl Icahn

Yellen's comments suggest, and I agree, that we are in an asset

bubble.

~Carl Icahn

Anyone that makes me a quarter of a billion dollars, I like.

~Carl Icahn

Im a cynic about corporate democracy and boards.

~Carl Icahn

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