Who can fire the CEO?

The board’s authority is central. Voting control determines who can change the board.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Hires. Evaluates. Can remove.

The board generally oversees the company and selects officers under the governing documents. Removal from the CEO role and removal from a board seat are separate matters.

Authority

The company’s bylaws and applicable law determine appointment and removal procedures. Employment agreements can affect the consequences.

Delegation

A board may delegate duties to committees within the limits of applicable law and its governing documents.

Ownership

Shareholders generally act through director elections and other voting rights. Voting structure shapes practical accountability.

Source Delaware General Corporation Law, §§ 141–142 • Company governing documents