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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS SEPTEMBER 9, 1998

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS:

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Westell Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), will be held at the Company's Corporate Headquarters, 750 North Commons Drive, Aurora, Illinois on Wednesday, September 9, 1998 at 10:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time for the following purposes:

- 1. To elect eight directors; and
- 2. To consider and transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on July 24, 1998 as the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Stephen J. Hawrysz Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

August 7, 1998

WHETHER OR NOT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING, PLEASE DATE, SIGN AND MAIL THE ENCLOSED PROXY IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED WHICH REQUIRES NO POSTAGE FOR MAILING IN THE UNITED STATES. A PROMPT RESPONSE IS HELPFUL, AND YOUR COOPERATION WILL BE APPRECIATED.

> WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 750 NORTH COMMONS DRIVE AURORA, ILLINOIS 60504

Proxy Statement

Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held September 9, 1998

To the Stockholders of

WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.:

This Proxy Statement is being mailed to stockholders on or about August 7, 1998 and is furnished in connection with the solicitation by the Board of Directors of Westell Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), of proxies for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on September 9, 1998 for the purpose of considering and acting upon the matters specified in the Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders accompanying this Proxy Statement. If the form of Proxy which accompanies this Proxy Statement is executed and returned, it will be voted. A Proxy may be revoked at any time prior to the

voting thereof by written notice to the Secretary of the Company.

A majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote at this meeting and represented in person or by proxy will constitute a quorum. With a quorum present at the meeting, the affirmative vote of the holders of a plurality of the shares entitled to vote and represented in person or by proxy at this meeting is required for the election of directors. Accordingly, neither the nonvoting of shares nor withholding authority will affect the election of Directors.

Expenses incurred in the solicitation of proxies will be borne by the Company. Officers of the Company may make additional solicitations in person or by telephone.

The Annual Report to Stockholders for fiscal year ended March 31, 1998 ("fiscal 1998") accompanies this Proxy Statement. If you did not receive a copy of the report, you may obtain one by writing to the Secretary of the Company.

As of July 24, 1998, the Company had outstanding 15,715,744 shares of Class A Common Stock and 20,706,357 shares of Class B Common Stock (collectively, the "Common Stock"), and such shares are the only shares entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. Each share of Class A Common Stock is entitled to one vote and each share of Class B Common Stock is entitled to four votes on each matter to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting.

SECURITIES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS AND MANAGEMENT

Set forth in the following table are the beneficial holdings (and the percentages of outstanding shares represented by such beneficial holdings) as of July 24, 1998 except as otherwise noted, of (i) each person (including any "group" as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")) known by the Company to own beneficially more than 5% of its outstanding Common Stock, (ii) directors, (iii) each Named Executive Officer (as defined below), and (iv) all directors and executive officers as a group. Except as otherwise indicated, the Company believes that the beneficial owners of the Common Stock listed below, based on information provided by such owners, have sole investment and voting power with respect to such shares, subject to community property laws where applicable. Under Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act, persons who have the power to vote or dispose of Common Stock of the Company, either alone or jointly with others, are deemed to be beneficial owners of such Common Stock.

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STOCKHOLDERS,	NUMBER OF	NUMBER OF	PERCENT OF
NAMED EXECUTIVE	CLASS A	CLASS B	TOTAL VOTING
OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS	SHARES (1)(2)	SHARE	S(2) POWER(3)

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Robert C. Penny III	1	9,527,568 (4) 79	.3%
Melvin J. Simon	14,500 (5)	19,739,856	5 (4)(6)	80.1%
Gary F. Seamans (7)	150,644 (8)	966,50	1	4.1%
Robert H. Gaynor	249,108		*	
Curtis L. Benton (9)	661,474		*	
Richard P. Riviere	4,800		*	
J. William Nelson	302,351		*	
Marc Zionts	38,000		*	
Stefan D. Abrams	63,000		*	
Michael A. Brunner	60,500		*	
Paul A. Dwyer	63,106		*	
John W. Seazholtz	3,000		*	
Ormand J. Wade	89,285		*	
All directors and executive				
officers as a group (14 persons)	1,803,170	19,739	9,856	82.0%

^{*} Less than 1%

⁽¹⁾ Includes options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days of July 24, 1998 as follows: Mr. Simon: 7,500 shares; Mr. Seamans: 45,000 shares; Mr. Gaynor: 7,500 shares; Mr. Benton: 4,000 shares; Mr. Riviere: 4,800 shares; Mr. Nelson: 26,000 shares; Mr. Zionts: 28,000 shares; Mr.

Abrams: 3,000 shares; Mr. Brunner: 3,000 shares; Mr., Dwyer: 63,106 shares; Mr. Seazholtz: 3,000 shares; Mr. Wade: 3,000 shares; and all directors and officers as a group: 247,406 shares.

- (2) Holders of Class B Common Stock have four votes per share and holders of Class A Common Stock have one vote per share. Class A Common Stock is freely transferable and Class B Common Stock is transferable only to certain transferees but is convertible into Class A Common Stock on a share-for-share basis
- (3) Percentage of beneficial ownership is based on 15,715,744 shares of Class A Common Stock and 20,706,357 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding as of July 24, 1998.
- (4) Includes 19,541,568 shares of Class B Common Stock held by Messrs. Penny and Simon as Trustees pursuant to a Voting Trust Agreement dated February 23, 1994, as amended (the "Voting Trust"), among Robert C. Penny III and Melvin J. Simon, as trustees (the "Trustees"), and members of the Penny family (as defined in the Voting Trust Agreement) and the Simon family (as defined in the Voting Trust Agreement). The Trustees have joint voting and dispositive power over all shares in the Voting Trust. Messrs. Penny and Simon each disclaim beneficial ownership with respect to all shares held in the Voting Trust in which they do not have a pecuniary interest. The Voting Trust contains 6,152,635 shares held for the benefit of Mr. Penny's immediate family and 779,981 shares held for the benefit of Mr. Simon's immediate family. The address for Messrs. Penny and Simon is Melvin J. Simon & Associates, Ltd., 4343 Commerce Court, Suite 114, Lisle, Illinois 60532.
- (5) Includes 5,000 shares held for the benefit of Stacy L. Simon, Melvin J. Simon's daughter for which Mr. Simon's wife is custodian and has sole voting and dispositive power and 2,000 shares held in trust for the benefit of Makayla G. Penny, daughter of Robert C. Penny III, for which Mr. Simon is trustee and has sole voting and dispositive power. Mr. Simon disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (6) Includes 212,288 shares held in trust for the benefit of Shawn F. Seamans, Gary F. Seamans' son, for which Mr. Simon is trustee and has sole voting and dispositive power. Mr. Simon disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (7) Mr. Seamans retired from the Company effective April 1, 1998. See "Mangement Executive Officer Agreements."
- (8) Includes 105,644 shares held in trusts for the benefit of J. William Nelson's children for which Mr. Seamans is trustee and has sole voting and dispositive power. Mr. Seamans disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (9) Mr. Benton resigned from the Company on June 15,1998 to pursue other business interests.

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PROPOSAL NO. 1: ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

At the Annual Meeting, eight directors, constituting the entire Board of Directors of the Company, are to be elected to hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders or until their successors are elected and qualified. In December 1997, the Bylaws of Westell Technologies, Inc. were amended to increase the number of directors from 7 to 8.

It is intended that the proxies (except proxies marked to the contrary) will be voted for the nominees listed below. It is expected that the nominees will serve, but if any nominee declines or is unable to serve for any unforeseen cause, the proxies will be voted to fill any vacancy so arising in accordance with the discretionary authority of the persons named in the proxies.

NOMINEES

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the nominees, seven of whom are current members of the present Board of Directors. Mr. Robert Penny III has been nominated to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Gary F. Seamans on April 1, 1998.

DIRECTOR

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PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION AND OTHER INFORMATION

<S> Robert H. Gaynor (74)

Robert H. Gaynor has served as Chairman of the Board since December 1997. Mr. Gaynor has served as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company from December 1991 to December 1997, and as a director of the Company since October 1990. For four years, Mr. Gaynor served as Chairman of the Rockhill Workshop, an international executive conference at the University of Missouri, Kansas City. From 1958 to 1986, Mr. Gaynor held a variety of executive officer positions at AT&T.

Melvin J. Simon (53)

Melvin J. Simon has served as Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer of the Company since July 1995 and as a Director of the Company since August 1992. From August 1992 to July 1995, Mr. Simon served as Secretary and Treasurer of the Company. A Certified Public Accountant, Mr. Simon founded and has served as President of Melvin J. Simon & Associates, Ltd., a public accounting firm, since May 1980.

Stefan D. Abrams (59)

Stefan D. Abrams has served as a director of the Company since February 1994. Mr. Abrams has been a Managing Director of The TCW Group, Inc., an investment management firm, since October 1992.

Michael A. Brunner (64)

Michael A. Brunner has served as a director of the Company since December 1994. From May 1985 to February 1992, Mr. Brunner served as President of AT&T Federal Systems, a division of AT&T. Mr. Brunner currently serves as a director of Concurrent Computer Corporation, a computer manufacturer, and as a director and past Chairman of the Leonard Center for Excellence in Engineering of Penn State University.

Paul A. Dwyer (64)

1996 Paul A. Dwyer has served as a director of the Company since January 1996 and as a director of Westell, Inc., a subsidiary of the Company, since November 1995. Mr. Dwyer has served as Vice President -- Finance of Henry Crown and Company, a private investment firm, since February 1981.

Ormand J. Wade (59)

Ormand J. Wade has served as a director of the Company since December 1994. From February 1987 to December 1992, Mr. Wade served as Vice Chairman of Ameritech Corp. and from January 1982 to February 1987, as President and Chief Executive Officer of Illinois Bell Telephone Company. Mr. Wade currently serves as a director of ITW Corporation, a manufacturer of precision engineered products, Andrew Corporation, a manufacturer of microwave and peripheral equipment, and Northwestern Memorial Hospital, and serves as a member of the Visiting Board of the University of Maine.

John W. Seazholtz (61)

John W. Seazholtz has served as director of the Company since December 1997. Mr. Seazholtz has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of telesoft america, inc., since May 1998. In April 1998, Mr. Seazholtz retired as Chief Technology Officer - Bell Atlantic where he served since June 1995 and previously served as Vice President Technology and Information Services - Bell Atlantic since June 1993. Mr. Seazholtz currently serves as a director of Odetics, Inc., a supplier of digital data management products for the security, broadcast and computer storage markets, and for ASC - Advanced Switching Communications, an ATM network equipment developer.

Robert C. Penny III (45)

* Robert C. Penny III has served as managing partner of P F Management Co., a private investment company, since May 1980.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ITS COMMITTEES:

The Board of Directors held 18 meetings during fiscal 1998. All directors attended at least 75% of the aggregate number of such meetings and of meetings of Board committees on which they served in fiscal 1998.

^{*} Does not currently serve as a director. Mr. Penny has been nominated to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Gary F Seamans on April 1, 1998.

Committee, the Compensation Committee, the Stock Incentive Committee, the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee.

The Audit Committee (comprised of Messrs. Brunner (Chair), Abrams and Dwyer) met three times in fiscal 1998. The functions of the Audit Committee consist of recommending the appointment of auditors and overseeing the accounting and audit functions of the Company.

The Compensation Committee (comprised of Messrs. Wade (Chair), Gaynor and Simon) met six times in fiscal 1998. The functions of the Compensation Committee consist of determining executive officers' salaries and bonuses. On March 25, 1998, Paul Dwyer replaced Robert Gaynor on the Compensation Committee.

The Stock Incentive Committee (comprised of Messrs. Wade (Chair), Gaynor and Dwyer) met five times in fiscal 1998. The functions of the Stock Incentive Committee consist of administering and determining awards to be granted under the Company's 1995 Stock Incentive Plan and the Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

The Executive Committee (comprised of Messrs. Gaynor (Chair), Wade and Simon) met three times in fiscal 1998. The Executive Committee has the authority to take all actions that the Board of Directors as a whole would be able to take, except as limited by applicable law. Mr. Wade replaced Mr. Seamans on the Executive Committee in December 1997.

The Finance Committee (comprised of Messrs. Abrams (Chair), Gaynor and Simon) met six times in fiscal 1998. The functions of the Finance Committee consist of making recommendations to the Board of Directors as to financial matters and as to such matters as shall be referred to it by the Board of Directors. The Finance Committee also periodically reviews the investment policies and performance of the Company. Mr. Gaynor replaced Mr. Seamans on the Finance Committee in December 1997. On March 25, 1998, the Finance Committee was expanded to include Paul Dwyer.

Directors who are not employees of the Company each receive \$20,000 per year for services rendered as directors, except Mr. Gaynor who receives \$100,000 per year as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. In December 1997, outside directors were granted stock options that vest monthly over five years as follows for the following amount of shares: Mr. Gaynor: 50,000 shares; Mr. Simon: 50,000 shares; Mr. Abrams: 20,000 shares; Mr. Brunner: 20,000 shares; Mr. Dwyer: 20,000 shares; Mr. Wade: 20,000 shares and Mr. Seazholtz: 20,000 shares. In addition, all directors may be reimbursed for certain expenses incurred in connection with attendance at Board and committee meetings. Other than with respect to reimbursement of expenses, directors who are employees of the Company do not receive additional compensation for service as directors. In connection with his election as a director of Westell, Inc., a subsidiary of the Company, in November 1995, Mr. Dwyer was granted an option to purchase 89,900 shares of Class A Common Stock at an exercise price of \$6.50 per share. Mr. Dwyer's options vest at a rate of 1,872 shares per month commencing January 1, 1996. Mr. Simon also receives \$1,250 each quarter for his services as a director of Conference Plus, Inc., a subsidiary of the Company.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR ALL OF THE NOMINEES.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The following sets forth certain information with respect to the current executive officers of the Company. Please refer to the information contained above under the heading "Directors" for biographical information of executive officers who are also directors of the Company.

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Name Age Position

Melvin J. Simon 53 Assistant Secretary, Assistant Treasurer and Director

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Marc J. Zionts has served as Chief Executive Officer of Westell, Inc since December 1997. Mr. Zionts also served as Senior Vice President of DSL System Sales of Westell, Inc. from March 1997 to December 1997. Mr. Zionts joined the Company in April 1996 as Vice President and General Manager of DSL Sales and Marketing in the United States. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Zionts was a founder and Executive Vice President of Communicate Direct, Inc., a systems integrator and developer of imaging technologies, from August 1987 to April 1996. Prior to August 1987, Mr. Zionts held a variety of marketing and sales positions with GTE.

J. William Nelson has served as President - Westell, Inc. since March 1997 and assumed the role of Chief Operating Officer of Westell, Inc. in December 1997. Mr. Nelson served as President of U.S. Operations from April 1996 to March 1997 and as Executive Vice President and Chief Customer Satisfaction Officer of Westell, Inc. since July 1993. Mr. Nelson also has served as Senior Vice President and Chief Customer Satisfaction Officer of the Company from May 1991 to June 1993. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Nelson held a variety of management positions, including Director of Large Account Sales and Director of Customer Service, at MCI Communications, Inc. from April 1986 to May 1991.

Richard P. Riviere has served as Vice President of Transaction Services for the Company since July 1995 and as President and Chief Executive Officer of Conference Plus since October 1988.

Stephen J. Hawrysz has served as Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company since July 1993, as Secretary and Treasurer of the Company since July 1995 and as Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Westell, Inc. since August 1990. A Certified Public Accountant, Mr. Hawrysz served in the Audit Division of Arthur Andersen LLP, a public accounting firm, from June 1980 to November 1989, and as Assistant Controller for Wisconsin Central Transportation Corporation, a regional railroad company, from November 1989 to August 1990.

William J. Noll has served as Senior Vice President of Research and Development and Chief Technology Officer of Westell, Inc. since May 1997. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Noll was Vice President and General Manager of Residential Broadband at Northern Telecom from October 1995 to May 1997. Mr. Noll held other various Vice President and Assistant Vice President positions at Northern Telecom from June 1988 to October 1996, and was Vice President Network Systems at Bell Northern Research from November 1986 to June 1988

Marcus H. Hafner, Sr. has served as Executive Vice President for Business Development and Corporate Strategy of Westell, Inc. since December 1997. Mr. Hafner served as Senior Vice President of Business Development from April 1996 to December 1997 and as Business Development Vice President of the Company from May 1995 to March 1996. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Hafner was President and Chief Operating Officer of On-Demand Technologies, Inc., a broadband network systems provider, from April 1992 to April 1995, and a Senior Program Manager at E-Systems, Inc., an electronics company, from November 1990 to April 1992.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The following table sets forth information for the fiscal years ended March 31, 1996, 1997 and 1998, with respect to all compensation paid or earned for services rendered to the Company by the Company's Chief Executive Officers and the Company's four other most highly compensated executive officers who were serving as executive officers at March 31, 1998 (together, the "Named Executive Officers").

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SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

COMPENSATION SALARY BONUS OTHER

SECURITIES

ALL OTHER

POSITION FISCAL (\$) (\$) ANNUAL UNDER YEAR COMPENSATION OPTIONS(1 (\$) (SHARES)	LYING COMPENSATION(2)
<s> <c> <c> <c> <c> <c> 50,000</c></c></c></c></c></s>	<c> - -</c>
Marc J. Zionts 1998 154,808 144,000 - 250,000 Chief Executive 1997 114,583 46,500 - 40,000 Officer- Westell, 1996	1,834 27
J. William Nelson President and Chief Operating Officer- Westell, Inc. 1998 180,385 144,000 - 49,000 27,116 (3) 40,000 - Westell, Inc.	2,284
Richard P. Riviere 1998 140,000 103,894 - 12,000 Senior Vice President 1997 126,000 91,683 - 12,000 of Transaction 1996 120,000 20,712 - Services and Chief Executive Officer Conference Plus, Inc.	2,981 1,969 2,802
Gary F. Seamans (4) 1998 300,000 75,000 Former Chairman of 1997 275,000 133,000 - 150,000 the Board and Chief Executive Officer 1996 275,000 212,800	2,883
Curtis L. Benton (6) 1998 160,000 78,300 20,000 Former Executive Vice 1997 153,000 43,500 - 20,000 President and Chief 1996 153,000 69,600 Administration Officer-Westell, Inc.	3,385 3,302 6,454

- (1) Stock options granted during fiscal 1998 were non-qualified stock options of Class A Common Stock and were issued under the 1995 Stock Incentive Plan of the Company.
- (2) Includes matching contributions under the Company's 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and life insurance premiums, for fiscal 1998 as follows: Mr. Zionts: \$1,722 and \$112, respectively; Mr. Nelson: \$3,085 and \$418, respectively; Mr. Benton: \$2,395 and \$990, respectively; Mr. Riviere: \$2,797 and \$184, respectively; and Mr. Seamans: \$4,034 and \$870, respectively.
- (3) Includes promotion award watch valued at \$15,215 and the related reimbursement for the tax gross-up of \$10,355 on the award.
- (4) Mr. Seamans retired from the Company effective April 1, 1998.
- (5) Includes \$760,000 provided to Mr. Seamans in conjunction with his retirement from the Company and in consideration for Mr. Seamans entering intononcompetition and non solicitation agreements. See "-Executive Officer Agreements."
- (6) Mr. Benton resigned from the Company effective June 15, 1998 to pursue other business interests.

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NAME AND PRINCIPAL

The following tables set forth the number of stock options granted to each of the Named Executive Officers during fiscal 1998 and the stock option exercises and exercisable and unexercisable stock options held by the Named Executive Officers as of March 31, 1998. For purposes of table computations the current fair market value at March 31, 1998 was equal to \$13.219 per share.

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STOCK OPTION GRANTS IN THE LAST FISCAL YEAR <CAPTION>

ASSUMED ANNUAL RATES OF STOCK PRICE APPRECIATION FOR OPTION TERM

INDIVIDUAL GRANTS

NUMBER OF PERCENT OF SECURITIES TOTAL

UNDERLYING OPTIONS EXERCISE OR

OPTIONS GRANTED TO BASE PRICE EXPIRATION

NAME GRANTED(#) EMPLOYEES (\$/SH)(1) DATE 5%(\$) 10%(\$)
IN FISCAL
YEAR

<S> <C> <C> <C> <C> <C> <C> Robert H Gaynor 50,000(2) 2.40% \$15,6875 12/05/07 \$493,289 \$1,250,091 Marc J. Zionts 50,000(3) 2.40% 12.5625 4/1/07 \$396,469 \$1,005,598 50,000(4) 2.40% 15.6875 12/05/07 \$493,289 \$1,250,091 150,000(5) 12/23/07 \$1,014,093 \$2,569,910 7.21% 10.75 J. William Nelson 50,000(4) 2.40% 12.5625 4/1/07 \$395,024 \$1,001,069 60,000 2.89% 15.6875 12/05/07 \$591,947 \$1,500,110 100,000 4.81% 13.0625 12/31/07 \$821,493 \$2.081.826 Richard P. Riviere 12,000(5) 0.58% 15.6875 12/05/07 \$118,389 \$300,022 Gary F. Seamans(6) 3.61% 12.5625 4/1/07 \$592,536 75,000(6) \$1,501,604 Curtis L. Benton(7)

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STOCK OPTION EXERCISES IN LAST FISCAL YEAR AND FISCAL YEAR END OPTION VALUES

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NUMBER OF SECURITIES

UNDERLYING VALUE OF

SHARES UNEXERCISED UNEXERCISED IN-ACQUIRED ON VALUE OPTIONS AT THE-MONEY OPTIONS EXERCISE # REALIZED FISCAL YEAR AT FISCAL YEAR END

(\$)(1) END (#) (\$)

(EXERCISABLE/ (EXERCISABLE/

NAME UNEXERCISABLE) UNEXERCISABLE)(2)

<S> <C> <C> <C> <C> <C> <C> <C> Robert H Gaynor - 3,178/ 46,822

Marc J. Zionts - - 13,000/ 277,000 \$31,531/ \$512,855

J. William Nelson - - 8,000/242,000 \$28,250/\$161,446 Richard P. Riviere - - 2,400/21,600 \$8,475/\$33,900 Gary F. Seamans - - 30,000/195,000 \$105,939/\$472,978

Curtis B. Benton - 4,000/16,000 \$14,125/\$56,501

⁽¹⁾ Each exercise price is equal to the fair market value of the Common Stock on the date of grant.

⁽²⁾ Option vests monthly in equal installments beginning January 1, 1998.

^{(3) 15,000} shares vest in 8 years or earlier subject to the Company meeting certain performance goals and the remaining shares vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the option grant.

^{(4) 20,000} shares vest in 8 years or earlier subject to the Company meeting certain performance goals and the remaining shares vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary date of the option grant.

⁽⁵⁾ Option vests in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the option grant.

^{(6) 15,000} shares became exercisable on April 1, 1998, and the remaining shares under this option terminated as a result of Mr. Seamans' retirement from the Company on April 1, 1998.

⁽⁷⁾ Mr. Benton resigned from the Company effective June 15, 1998 and did not receive any options in fiscal 1998.

- (1) Value is calculated by subtracting the exercise price per share from the fair market value at the time of exercise and multiplying this amount by the number of shares exercised pursuant to the stock option.
- (2) Value is calculated by subtracting the exercise price per share from \$13.219, the fair market value at March 31, 1998, and multiplying such amount by the number of shares subject to the option.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER AGREEMENTS

Pursuant to an agreement dated September 13, 1988 between the Company and Richard Riviere, the Vice President of Transaction Services of the Company and President of Conference Plus, Inc., a subsidiary of the Company ("Conference Plus"), Mr. Riviere receives an annual base salary of not less than \$75,000 during his employment with the Company. This agreement also provides Mr. Riviere with a right of first refusal with respect to the Company's interest in Conference Plus in the event the Company decides to sell such interest. In addition, after his employment with the Company terminates, Mr. Riviere has agreed not to compete with the Company for a period of two years.

In June 1998, the Company entered into Severance Agreements with each Named Executive Officer and certain other executive officers of the Company (the "Severance Agreements"). The Severance Agreements provide that in the event such officer is terminated without Cause (as defined therein) or such officer resigns for Good Reason (as defined therein), the Company shall pay to such officer severance payments equal to such officer's salary and bonus for the fiscal year in which the termination occurs, and the Severance Agreements also provide for the payment of certain amounts upon the occurrence of certain events. The executive officers entering into the Severance Agreements agreed not to compete with the Company for one year in the event that their of termination entitles them to severance payments and not to solicit any Company employees for a period of one year after a termination of such officer's employment with the Company. The Company's severance payment obligations and an officer's right to this additional bonus shall terminate upon such officer's death, resignation without Good Reason, retirement or termination for Cause.

In connection with Mr. Seamans' retirement from the Company in April 1998, the Company and Mr. Seamans entered into a retirement agreement (the "Retirement Agreement") in which the Company (i) provided to Mr. Seamans \$760,000 and (ii) agreed to reimburse Mr. Seamans for certain income tax planning expenses incurred through December 31, 2000, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000. Under the Retirement Agreement, Mr. Seamans agreed (i) not to compete with the Company for a period commencing upon the date of his retirement and ending December 31, 1999, (ii) not to solicit any current employees of the Company, and (iii) not to engage in any form of conduct that disparages or otherwise impairs the reputation, goodwill or commercial interests of the Company and its officers and directors.

COMPENSATION AND STOCK INCENTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors is responsible for the Company's executive compensation policies. It annually determines the compensation to be paid to the executive officers of the Company. The Compensation Committee has two outside directors. The Stock Incentive Committee administers and determines the awards to be granted under the Company's 1995 Stock Incentive Plan and the Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

OVERVIEW AND PHILOSOPHY

The executive compensation program is intended to provide overall levels of compensation for the executive officers which are competitive for the industries and the geographic areas within which they operate, the individual's experience, and contribution to the long-term success of the Company. A leading consulting firm provides for the Compensation Committee's consideration information regarding executive compensation of companies that operate in similar industries. The Hambrecht & Quist Communications Index (see the Performance Graph) includes some of the companies which the Compensation Committee considers. The Compensation Committee believes that its task of determining fair

and competitive compensation is ultimately judgmental.

The executive compensation program is composed of base salary, annual incentive compensation, equity based incentives, and other benefits generally available to all employees.

BASE SALARY

The base salary for each executive is intended primarily to be competitive with companies in the industries and geographic areas in which the Company competes. Surveys from outside firms and consultants are used to help determine what is competitive. In making annual adjustments to base salary, the Compensation Committee also considers the individual's performance over a period of time as well as any other information which may be available as to the value of the particular individual's past and prospective future services to the Company. This information includes comments and performance evaluations by the Company's Chief Executive Officer. The Committee considers all such data; it does not prescribe the relative weight to be given to any particular component.

ANNUAL INCENTIVE COMPENSATION

Annual incentive compensation is ordinarily determined by a formula which considers the financial goals and objectives of the Company.

LONG-TERM INCENTIVES

In general, both the Compensation Committee and the Stock Incentive Committee believe that equity based compensation should form a part of an executive's total compensation package. Stock options may be granted to executives in order to directly relate a portion of the executive's earnings to the stock price appreciation realized by the Company's stockholders over the option period. Stock options also provide executives with the opportunity to acquire an ownership interest in the Company. The number of shares covered by each executive's option will be determined by factors similar to those considered in establishing base salaries. In fiscal 1998, 967,000 stock options were granted to executive officers. Some of these options for key executives include vesting terms that are based upon the Company's meeting of certain performance criteria.

In view of the departures of several executive officers in the last year, the Compensation Committee approved the Severance Agreements, which are described in the section "Management - Executive Officer Agreements," which contain one year noncompetition and nonsolicitation provisions.

OTHER

Other benefits are generally those available to all other employees in the Company, or a subsidiary, as appropriate.

COMPENSATION FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Compensation Committee and the Stock Incentive Committee apply the same standards in establishing the compensation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer as are used for other executives. However, there are procedural differences. The Chief Executive Officer does not participate in setting the amount and nature of his compensation. For fiscal 1998, Gary Seamans received options to purchase 75,000 shares of Class A Common Stock. Mr. Seamans retired from the Company effective April 1, 1998. In consideration of Mr. Seaman's longstanding service with the Company, the Company entered into the Retirement Agreement, which is discussed in the section "Management - Executive Officer Agreements."

The Compensation Committee does not expect that Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code will limit the deductibility of compensation expected to be paid by the Company in the foreseeable future.

This report is submitted by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted By:

The Compensation Committee

Ormand J. Wade (Chair)
Paul A. Dwyer
Melvin J. Simon

The Stock Incentive Committee Ormand J. Wade (Chair) Robert H. Gaynor Paul A Dwyer

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE INTERLOCKS AND INSIDER PARTICIPATION

The Compensation Committee is currently composed of Messrs. Wade (Chair), Dwyer and Simon, the Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer of the Company. No interlocking relationship exists between the Company's Board of Directors or Compensation Committee and the board of directors or compensation committee of any other company, nor has any such interlocking relationship existed in the past.

Since 1984, Melvin J. Simon & Associates, Ltd. has provided accounting and other financial services to the Company. Mr. Simon, a director and the Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer of the Company and Co-Trustee of the Voting Trust, is the sole owner of Melvin J. Simon & Associates, Ltd. The Company paid Melvin J. Simon & Associates, Ltd. approximately \$64,000, \$44,000 and \$66,000 in fiscal 1996, 1997 and 1998, respectively, for its services. The Company believes that these services are provided on terms no less favorable to the Company than could be obtained from unaffiliated parties.

The Company has granted Robert C. Penny III and Melvin J. Simon, as Trustees of the Voting Trust, certain registration rights with respect to the shares of Common Stock held in the Voting Trust.

SECTION 16(A) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires that the Company's officers and directors, and persons who own more than ten percent of the Company's outstanding stock, file reports of ownership and changes in ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission. During fiscal 1998, to the knowledge of the Company, all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to its officers, directors, and greater than ten percent beneficial owners were complied with.

PERFORMANCE GRAPH

The following performance graph compares the quarterly percentage change in the Company's cumulative total stockholder return on its Class A Common Stock with the cumulative total return of the Nasdaq Stock Market--U.S. Index and the Hambrecht & Quist Communications Index for the period commencing December 1, 1995 (the first day of trading of the Class A Common Stock on the Nasdaq National Market) and ending March 31, 1998. The stock price performance shown in the performance graph is not indicative of future stock price performance.

* \$100 INVESTED ON 12/01/95 IN STOCK OR INDEX - INCLUDING REINVESTMENT OF DIVIDENDS. FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31.

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TOTAL RETURN - DATA SUMMARY

CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN 12/1/95 3/96 3/97 3/98

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ACCOUNTANTS

Selection of independent auditors is made by the Board of Directors upon consultation with the Audit Committee. The Company's independent auditors for fiscal 1998 were Arthur Andersen LLP. The Board of Directors will vote upon the selection of auditors for the current fiscal year at a future Board meeting. Representatives of Arthur Andersen LLP will be present at the Annual Meeting with the opportunity to respond to appropriate questions and to make a statement if they desire to do so.

PROPOSALS OF SECURITY HOLDERS

A stockholder proposal to be presented at the 1999 Annual Meeting must be received at the Company's executive offices, 750 North Commons Drive Aurora, Illinois 60504 by no later than April 9, 1999 for evaluation as to inclusion in the Proxy Statement in connection with such meeting.

Stockholders wishing to bring a proposal before the 1999 Annual Meeting (but not include the proposal in the Company's proxy statement) must cause written notice of the proposal to be received by the Secretary of the Company at the principal executive offices of the Company in Aurora, Illinois, by no later than June 23, 1999, as well as comply with certain provisions of the Company's bylaws. In order for a stockholder to nominate a candidate for director, such notice must describe various matters regarding the nominee and the stockholder giving the notice, including such information as name, address, occupation and shares held. In order for a stockholder to bring other business before a stockholders meeting, the notice for such meeting must include various matters regarding the stockholder giving the notice and a description of the proposed business. These requirements are separate from and in addition to the requirements a stockholder must meet to have a proposal included in the Company's proxy statement.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Company has furnished its financial statements to stockholders in its 1998 Annual Report, which accompanies this Proxy Statement. In addition, the Company will promptly provide, without charge to any stockholder, on the request of such stockholder, an additional copy of the 1998 Annual Report and the Company's most recent Form 10-K. Written requests for such copies should be directed to Westell Technologies, Inc., Attention: Stephen J Hawrysz, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, 750 North Commons Drive, Aurora, Illinois 60504; telephone number (630) 375-4129.

The Board of Directors of the Company knows of no other business which may come before the Annual Meeting. However, if any other matters are properly presented to the Meeting, the persons named in the proxies will vote upon them in accordance with their best judgment.

WHETHER OR NOT YOU EXPECT TO ATTEND THE MEETING, PLEASE SIGN THE PROXY AND RETURN IT IN THE ENCLOSED STAMPED ENVELOPE.

By Order of the Board of Directors

STEPHEN J. HAWRYSZ Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 7, 1998

PROXY WESTELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

This Proxy is Solicited by the Board of Directors for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, September 9, 1998, 10:00 a.m. local time, at the Westell Corporate Headquarters, 750 N. Common Drive, Aurora, IL 60504.

The undersigned hereby appoints Robert H. Gaynor and Melvin J. Simon, and each of them, proxies with the powers the undersigned would possess if personally present, and will full power of substitution, to vote all Class A Common Stock and/or Class B Common Stock held of record by the undersigned in Westell Technologies, Inc., upon all subjects that may properly come before the Annual Meeting, including the matters described in the proxy statement furnished herewith, subject to any directions indicated on the reverse side of this card. If no directions are given, the proxies will vote in accordance with the Directors' recommendations on the subjects listed below and at their discretion on any other matter that may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

If you do not sign and return a proxy, or attend the Annual Meeting and vote by ballot, your shares cannot be voted, nor your instructions followed. Directors recommend a vote "FOR":

1. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

// FOR all nominees listed below // WITHHOLD AUTHORITY to vote (except as marked to the contrary) for all listed below

NOMINEES: STEFAN D. ABRAMS ROBERT C. PENNY III

MICHAEL A. BRUNNER JOHN W. SEAZHOLTZ

PAUL A. DWYER MELVIN J. SIMON

ROBERT H. GAYNOR ORMAND J. WADE

INSTRUCTION: To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee, write that nominee's name in the space provided above.

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2. In their discretion, the Proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Please sign exactly as name or names appear on this proxy, if stock is held jointly, each holder should sign. If signing as attorney, trustee, executor, administrator, custodian, guardian or corporate officer, please give full title.

Date:	. 1998

Signature		 	
Signature	 	 	

VOTES MUST BE INDICATED (X) IN BLACK