

In *Corporate Board Member's* fourth annual survey, 2,152 directors picked the law firms they most admire, nationally and in 50 metropolitan areas. The 20 national leaders are ranked below.



THE TOP 20 FIRMS

	LAST YEAR'S RANKING
1. SKADDEN ARPS SLATE MEAGHER & FLOM NEW YORK	1
2. CRAVATH SWAINE & MOORE NEW YORK	2
3. WACHTELL LIPTON ROSEN & KATZ NEW YORK	4
4. SULLIVAN & CROMWELL NEW YORK	3
5. DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL NEW YORK	7
6. BAKER & MCKENZIE CHICAGO	6
7. JONES DAY CLEVELAND	5
8. GIBSON DUNN & CRUTCHER LOS ANGELES	10
9. WEIL GOTSHAL & MANGES NEW YORK	11
10. LATHAM & WATKINS LOS ANGELES	9
11. KIRKLAND & ELLIS CHICAGO	8
12. FULBRIGHT & JAWORSKI HOUSTON	16
13. SHEARMAN & STERLING NEW YORK	2 (TIE)
14. COVINGTON & BURLING WASHINGTON, D.C.	20
15. O'MELVENY & MYERS LOS ANGELES	14
16. AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD DALLAS	15
17. SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT NEW YORK	—
18. WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI PALO ALTO	12 (TIE)
19. PAUL WEISS RIFKIND WHARTON & GARRISON NEW YORK	19
20. SIDLEY AUSTIN BROWN & WOOD CHICAGO	17



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	LAST YEAR'S RANKING	NUMBER OF LAWYERS (ALL OFFICES)	REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS
1. WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI PC www.wsgr.com • 415-947-2000	1	600	Advent Software, Genentech, Williams-Sonoma
2. MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP www.mofo.com • 415-268-7000	3	990	Chiron Corp., Clorox Co., Yahoo! Corp.
3 COOLEY GODWARD LLP www.cooley.com • 415-693-2000	2	436	eBay, Nvidia, PG&E
4 HELLER EHRMAN WHITE & McAULIFFE www.hewm.com • 415-772-6000	4	720	Pacific Gas and Electric Co., Visa U.S.A., Yahoo!
5 LATHAM & WATKINS www.lw.com • 415-391-0600	5	1,512	Advanced Micro Devices, Apple, PG&E

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In a separate *Corporate Board Member* survey, corporate general counsels chose the firms they'd most want to represent their companies on national matters. Sixteen law firms made both lists, though often with different rankings. Here's how the top 20 choices of the in-house lawyers ranked.

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| 1. Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom | 12. Baker & McKenzie |
| 2. Latham & Watkins | 13. Mayer Brown Rowe & Maw |
| 3. Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz | 14. Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison |
| 4. Cravath Swaine & Moore | 15 (tie). Akin Gump Strauss Hauer Feld O'Melveny & Myers |
| 5. Weil Gotshal & Manges | Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati |
| 6 (tie). Jones Day | 18 (tie). Arnold & Porter |
| Sullivan & Cromwell | Paul Hastings Janofsky & Walker |
| 8 (tie). Gibson Dunn & Crutcher | Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton |
| Shearman & Sterling | |
| 10 (tie). Davis Polk & Wardwell | |
| Simpson Thacher & Bartlett | |

