

AMERICA'S BEST CORPORATE LAW FIRMS

THE CORPORATE BOARD MEMBER/FTI CONSULTING SURVEY

Corporate Board Member congratulates the firms that climbed to the top of the 2014 America's Best Corporate Law Firms list, the culmination of our annual, nationwide survey of corporate directors and general counsel.

These two lists represent the firms whose integrity, track records, and reputation solidify their place among the highest echelon of corporate legal counsel. Time and again, they've proven themselves by arming their ranks with top-rated practitioners who understand the complex nuances of compliance and the tactics needed for successful legal defense.

For our part, Corporate Board Member and FTI Consulting sincerely thank the hundreds of directors and general counsel who took the time to participate in this year's survey. Your votes are what make this list unique, and such a distinctive honor for the recipients each year.

THESE FIRMS

RISE ABOVE

THE REST

TOP 25 NATIONAL LAW FIRMS DIRECTORS' RANKINGS

1	SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM , NEW YORK (1) <small>LAST YEAR'S RANKING</small>
2	WACHTELL, LIPTON, ROSEN & KATZ , NEW YORK (3)
3	JONES DAY , WASHINGTON D.C. (2)
4	SULLIVAN & CROMWELL , NEW YORK (6)
5	LATHAM & WATKINS , LOS ANGELES (7)
6	CRAVATH, SWAINE & MOORE , NEW YORK (8)
7	DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL , NEW YORK (15)
8	BAKER & MCKENZIE , CHICAGO (5)
9	GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER , LOS ANGELES (11)
10	WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI , PALO ALTO (10)
11	SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT , NEW YORK (16)
12	SIDLEY AUSTIN , CHICAGO (13)
13	KIRKLAND & ELLIS , CHICAGO (9)
14	PAUL, WEISS, RIFKIND, WHARTON & GARRISON , NEW YORK (21)
15	KING & SPALDING , ATLANTA (-)
16	WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES , NEW YORK (4)
17	AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD , WASHINGTON, D.C. (25)
18	SHEARMAN & STERLING , NEW YORK (14)
19	WHITE & CASE , NEW YORK (-)
20	ARNOLD & PORTER , WASHINGTON, D.C. (23)
21	MORRISON & FOERSTER , SAN FRANCISCO (22)
22	WINSTON & STRAWN , CHICAGO (-)
23	ALSTON & BIRD , ATLANTA (-)
24	CLEARY GOTTlieb , NEW YORK (-)
25(tie)	COOLEY , PALO ALTO (-)
(tie)	FOLEY & LARDNER , MILWAUKEE (20)
(tie)	VINSON & ELKINS , HOUSTON (18)



Appearing on this list are the firms that reached the top rung in the opinions of our poll of general counsel. A sincere congratulations goes out to all our 2014 winners.

TOP 25 NATIONAL LAW FIRMS GENERAL COUNSEL'S RANKINGS

1	WACHTELL, LIPTON, ROSEN & KATZ , NEW YORK (1)
2	SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM , NEW YORK (2)
3	JONES DAY , WASHINGTON D.C. (7)
4	LATHAM & WATKINS , LOS ANGELES (3)
5	GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER , LOS ANGELES (5)
6	SULLIVAN & CROMWELL , NEW YORK (15)
7	SIDLEY AUSTIN , CHICAGO (6)
8	DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL , NEW YORK (10)
9	BAKER & MCKENZIE , CHICAGO (4)
10	REED SMITH , PITTSBURGH (17)
11	DLA PIPER , NEW YORK (8)
12	MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS , PHILADELPHIA (11)
13	WILMERHALE , WASHINGTON, D.C. (-)
14	KIRKLAND & ELLIS , CHICAGO (18)
15	SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT , NEW YORK (-)
16	MORRISON & FOERSTER , SAN FRANCISCO (14)
17	CRAVATH, SWAINE & MOORE , NEW YORK (9)
18	NORTON ROSE FULBRIGHT , HOUSTON (23)
19	HOGAN LOVELLS , WASHINGTON, D.C. (20)
20	KING & SPALDING , ATLANTA (-)
21	GOODWIN PROCTER , BOSTON (22)
22	WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI , PALO ALTO (16)
23	CLEARY GOTTlieb , NEW YORK (-)
24	LITTLER MENDELSON , SAN FRANCISCO (21)
25(tie)	ALSTON & BIRD , ATLANTA (-)
	(tie) WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES , NEW YORK (24)