



AMERICA'S
BEST
CORPORATE
LAW FIRMS

THE 2016 CORPORATE BOARD MEMBER/FTI CONSULTING SURVEY

It's that time of year! The results of *Corporate Board Member's* national survey of the best corporate law firms is complete, and the results are here in our cover story. After polling directors and general counsel in a national survey effort earlier this year, we are pleased to bring you the lists of firms whose reputations resonate highest among our readers.

In today's corporate environment, it takes a partnership of inside and outside legal expertise, built on a foundation of unqualified integrity, to ensure public companies avoid the panoply of risks that exist. *Corporate Board Member* and FTI Consulting offer thanks to the hundreds of directors and general counsel who participated in the selections this year. Your independent votes truly make America's Best Corporate Law Firms a "peoples' choice" award of distinction.

TOP 25 NATIONAL LAW FIRMS DIRECTOR RANKINGS

1	SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP (1) <small>LAST YEAR'S RANKING</small>
2	WACHTELL, LIPTON, ROSEN & KATZ (3)
3	SULLIVAN & CROMWELL LLP (4)
4	JONES DAY (2)
5	SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT LLP (18)
6	GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER LLP (8)
7	LATHAM & WATKINS LLP (6)
8	SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP (14)
9	SHEARMAN & STERLING LLP (20)
10	WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP (13)
11	BAKER & MCKENZIE (9)
12	CRAVATH, SWAINE & MOORE LLP (5)
13	BAKER BOTTS, L.L.P. (15)
14	MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS LLP (-)
15	ROPES & GRAY LLP (-)
16	WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI (11)
17	NORTON ROSE FULBRIGHT (-)
18	COOLEY LLP (-)
19	GOODWIN PROCTER LLP (-)
20	MCDERMOTT WILL & EMERY (-)
(TIE)	REED SMITH LLP (-)
22	WILMER CUTLER PICKERING HALE AND DORR LLP (-)
23	VINSON & ELKINS LLP (21)
24	MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP (-)
25	KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP (12)

Equal in distinction, here are the top 25 law firms that garnered the highest number of votes among corporate general counsel.

TOP 25 NATIONAL LAW FIRMS GENERAL COUNSEL RANKINGS

1	WACHTELL, LIPTON, ROSEN & KATZ (1) <small>LAST YEAR'S RANKING</small>
2	SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP (5)
3	LATHAM & WATKINS LLP (2)
4	SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT LLP (15)
5	GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER LLP (8)
6	SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP (6)
7	CRAVATH, SWAINE & MOORE LLP (12)
8	JONES DAY (3)
9	SULLIVAN & CROMWELL LLP (4)
10	DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL LLP (7)
11	CLEARY GOTTlieb STEEN & HAMILTON LLP (-)
12	WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP (18)
13	MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS LLP (16)
14	COVINGTON & BURLING LLP (11)
15	WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI (14)
16	KIRKLAND & ELLIS LLP (13)
17	HOGAN LOVELLS US LLP (-)
18	REED SMITH LLP (25T)
(TIE)	WILMER CUTLER PICKERING HALE AND DORR LLP (-)
20	BAKER & MCKENZIE (9)
21	K&L GATES LLP (-)
22	PAUL, WEISS, RIFKIND, WHARTON & GARRISON LLP (-)
23	DLA PIPER (10)
24	MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP (17)
25	SHEARMAN & STERLING LLP (-)