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Corporate Governance

Ahead Of The Curve

Public companies are facing increasing regulatory scrutiny from authorities around the world, and a single misstep on corporate governance standards can lead to negative media attention and a loss of trust from consumers and the public at large. We help our clients understand and implement durable corporate governance standards across major jurisdictions, as well as guide them in staying ahead of compliance trends to avoid enforcement actions down the road. While focusing on the fundamentals, we know every client has unique governance challenges. Our team develops a tailored approach to address specific industry and business model considerations, drawing upon deep experience with highly complex and sensitive compliance matters.

Reach

Solid Experience

In addition to handling overall corporate governance guidelines and compliance programs, we regularly advise clients on a broad range of related issues, including:

- Audit Committee Practices
- Public Disclosure Regimes & Officer Certifications
- Insider Trading Rules & Procedures
- Shareholder Interaction & Initiatives
- Board Structure, Composition & Processes
- Fiduciary Duties Under Corporate & Other State Laws
- Stock Market Listing Compliance
- Codes of Ethics/Conduct & Other Related Party Transaction Protocols

Approach

Specialized Advice

To help clients prevent, minimize, or avoid conflicts, compliance violations, and lawsuits, our team handles a variety of specialized matters for management teams, boards of directors, and special-purpose board committees. We deliver independent legal advice for corporations via special committees for directors and officers on matters involving on-going private transactions, management buyouts, auction sales, and other transactions where company insiders may have a substantial personal interest. We conduct independent internal audits and special compliance investigations — involving alleged fraudulent conduct, accounting irregularities, consumer protection, environmental, ERISA fiduciary compliance, securities, antitrust, and government procurement fraud — that proactively detect and correct problems, effectuate compliance programs, limit federal liability through early reporting, or establish a good faith defense. Our attorneys also counsel clients in distressed financial situations on sensitive special issues, such as mass torts, pension under funding, labor unions, environmental contamination, and intellectual property.

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