

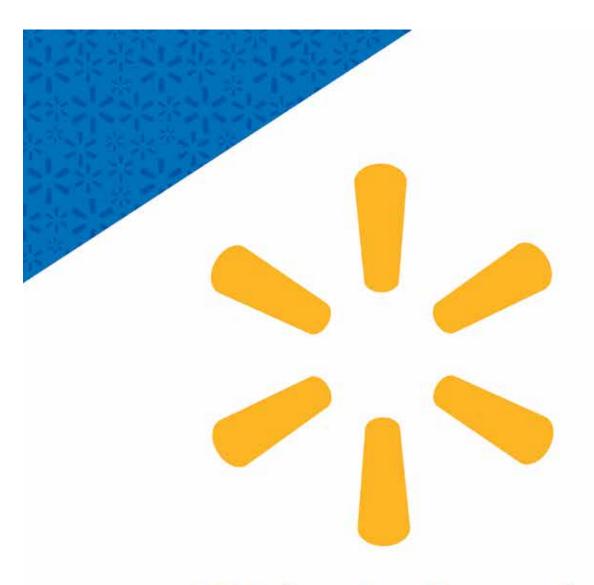


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#### **Note from Joel Stern**

On behalf of the entire NAMWOLF Team, welcome to our 2015 Annual Meeting and Law Firm Expo in Hollywood, California. We hope that you are as excited as we are to participate in some very high-quality and informative CLE presentations; be entertained by some great speakers; mix, mingle and network with in-house counsel from a wide range of companies; meet new attorneys and rekindle old relationships with our 150 plus NAMWOLF firms; and, have fun while we celebrate diversity and inclusion in our legal profession.

Scores of people have worked hard to make this the best Annual Meeting to date and we hope that you avail yourselves of all the opportunities that our CLE sessions, receptions, and meetings have to offer.

Please know that the NAMWOLF Team is here to serve and assist you. Please feel free to stop any of us if you have any questions or require assistance.

Have a great and productive time.

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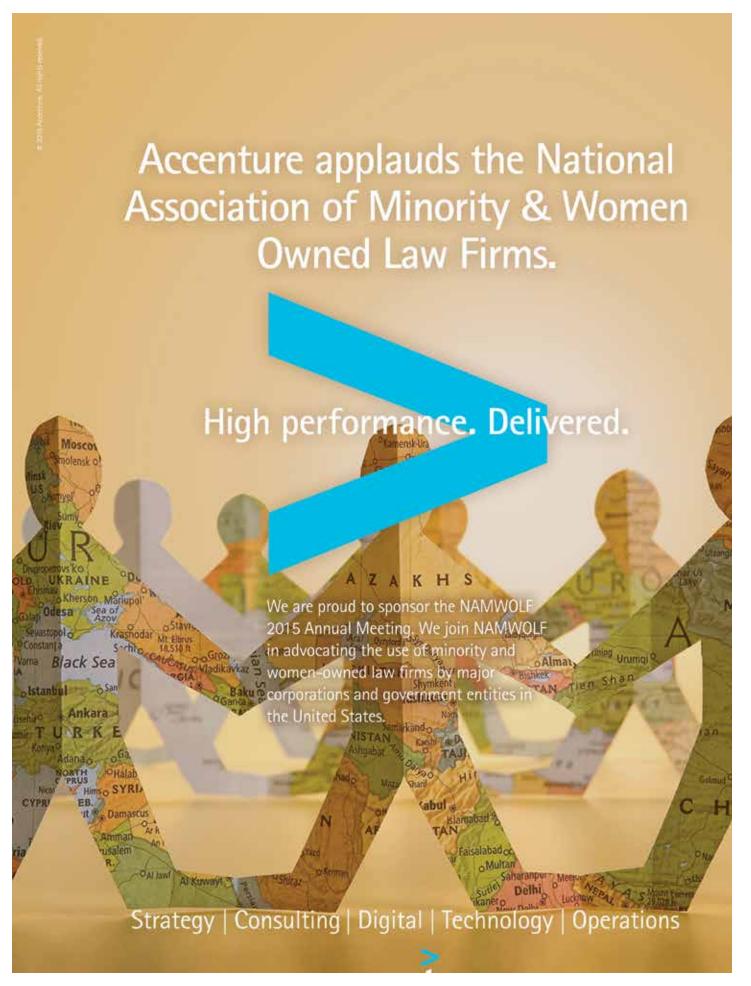
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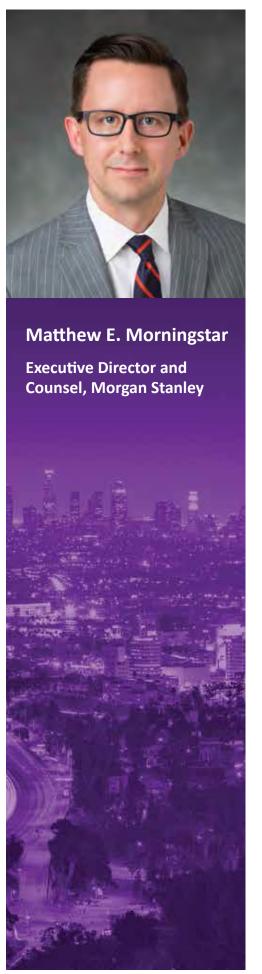
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## Winner of the 2015 Award for Outstanding Service by an Advisory Council Member

Matthew E. Morningstar is an Executive Director and Counsel in Morgan Stanley's US Litigation Department, where he is responsible for managing complex litigation and regulatory matters across the Firm. Prior to joining Morgan Stanley in 2005, Matthew was an Associate in the Litigation Department in the New York office of Mayer Brown.

Matthew is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Minority and Women Owned Lawyers (NAMWOLF), and the incoming co-chair of NAMWOLF's Advisory Council, the corporate counsel advisory board. Matthew is also the Chair of the Supplier Diversity Sub-Committee of Morgan Stanley's Legal and Compliance Division Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

Matthew was honored to receive the 2013 National LGBT Bar Association Out & Proud Corporate Counsel Award in New York. Matthew was commended for his commitment to diversity in the profession, particularly his visibility as an out senior lawyer and his work concerning expanded use of minority and women-owned law firms.

Matthew also served as Vice-Chair of the Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC) Board of Directors, where he was also Co-Chair of the Governance Committee. During his five and a half year tenure with GMHC, Matthew oversaw the expansion and diversification of the board of directors. GMHC is the nation's leading HIV/AIDS service and advocacy organization, serving over 10,000 clients annually and serving as one of the leading policy and advocacy voices on HIV/AIDS in the world.

Matthew is also the past Co-chair of the New York Democratic Lawyers Council, New York's only year-round voting rights and election protection organization. Matthew was honored to serve on the Democratic National Committee's Platform Committee in 2008, which called for a fully-inclusive non-discrimination act as well as an end to the discriminatory Don't Ask Don't Tell policy.

A native son of Emmitsburg, Maryland, Matthew is a 1997 graduate of Columbia, and a 2001 graduate of Cornell Law School, where he served as Chancellor of the Moot Court Board.

Matthew and his partner Alan van Capelle reside on Manhattan's Lower East Side with their three year old son, Ethan George, and one year old son, Patrick Leo.



September 16, 2015

#### Dear Friends:

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, welcome to the National Association of Minority and Women Owned Law Firms' Annual Meeting.

The City of Angels is happy to host this convention and its nearly six hundred attendees from across the country. NAMWOLF's support allows some of our nation's most highly rated minority and women-owned law firms to cultivate relationships between public and private organizations to the benefit of our economy. I am happy to join the chorus of accolades for NAMWOLF's efforts.

I would like to salute Willenken Wilson Loh & Delgado LLP and Toyota Financial Services for co-chairing the event as well as the various companies generously serving as NAMWOLF's corporate sponsors for this year's gathering.

Please accept my very best wishes as you continue your work and explore one of the most dynamic and creative cities in the country during the course of your visit.

Sincerely,

**ERIC GARCETTI** 

Mayor



# Welcome Address Thursday, September 17 Commissioner Dave Jones

Dave Jones is California's Insurance Commissioner.

He was first elected Insurance Commissioner on November 2, 2010 and re-elected November 4, 2014. Jones leads the California Department of Insurance and regulates the California insurance market. Insurers collect \$259 billion a year in premiums in California, making it the nation's largest insurance market.

Jones served in the California State Assembly from 2004 through 2010, where he chaired the Assembly Health Committee, the Assembly Judiciary Committee and the Budget Subcommittee on Health and Human Services. Named "Consumer Champion" by the California Consumer Federation, Capitol Weekly named Jones California's "most effective legislator" other than the Assembly Speaker and the Senate President Pro Tempore.

Jones began his career as a legal aid attorney, providing free legal assistance to the poor with Legal Services of Northern California from 1988 to 1995. In 1995, Jones was one of only 13 Americans awarded the prestigious White House Fellowship. He served in the Clinton Administration for three years as Special Assistant and Counsel to U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno. Jones served on the Sacramento City Council from 1999 to 2004.

Jones graduated with honors from DePauw University, Harvard Law School and Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. He and his wife, Kim Flores, have two children, Isabelle and William, and live in Sacramento.





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## **Keynote Speaker Thursday, September 17 Sandra Phillips**

Sandra Phillips is general counsel and chief legal officer of Toyota Motor North America. In her role, she oversees Toyota Legal One ("TL1"), the legal services function for Toyota's operations in North America. She is responsible for business operations support, litigation, intellectual property, regulatory law and legal operations, and for managing representation of Toyota's affiliates in North America. Phillips is the first African-American woman named to this position.

Previously, Phillips served as vice president and deputy general counsel, Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., where she played a key role in overseeing complex legal matters and building an integrated North American legal services group.

Prior to joining Toyota in June 2012, Phillips was a partner at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius in their Houston office, where her practice focused on complex litigation management and strategy. She was also a senior vice president, associate general counsel and chief litigation counsel at Pfizer Inc., and a managing partner of the Houston office of Shook, Hardy & Bacon.

Phillips is a founding member of the University of Texas Center for Women in Law and a member of the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, the International Association of Defense Counsel and the Defense Research Institute (DRI). She is the 2008 recipient of the Defense Research Institute's **Diversity Pioneer Award.** 

Phillips earned both a bachelor's degree in journalism and a law degree from the University of Texas at Austin.





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September 16, 2015

#### Greetings,

It is an honor to welcome you to the annual National Association of Minority and Women Owned Law Firms (NAMWOLF) Conference in Hollywood, California.

I am pleased to recognize NAMWOLF for their commitment to fostering dialogue and sharing experiences that encourage rich diversity and new traditions in the law. As our country becomes increasingly diverse, the need for professionals who are culturally competent and equally diverse will continue to grow and shape the future of law. I commend NAMWOLF for providing distinctive opportunities to connect with public and private organizations and minority and women owned law firms.

I applaud NAMWOLF's tireless dedication to improving equity in the legal profession. Best wishes for a memorable and successful conference!

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#### Sharon Tomkins, Vice President and General Counsel, Southern California Gas Company

Sharon Tomkins is the Vice President and General Counsel for Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas). She began working for SoCalGas in 2010 as the Regulatory Assistant General Counsel.

Prior to joining SoCalGas, Tomkins was a partner of O'Melveny & Myers LLP, where she was a founding member of its Energy, Natural Resources & Environmental Practice. At O'Melveny, Tomkins represented clients in a variety of litigation, regulatory and appellate proceedings. She developed and taught an Energy Law, Policy & Climate Change course in the fall of 2009 at UCLA Law School. Shortly after graduating law school, Tomkins clerked in the U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, for the Honorable Danny J. Boggs.

Tomkins co-authored, "Litigating Global Warming: Likely Legal Challenges to Emerging Greenhouse Gas Cap-and Trade Programs in the United States," which was published in the May 2009 issue of Environmental Law Institute's News & Analysis Journal; "Shareholder Derivative Actions: From Cradle to Grave," Practising Law Institute (2006, 2007); and "Recent Developments in Shareholder Derivative Actions," Practising Law Institute (2001 -2005). She was named three years in a row as a "Southern California Rising Star" in surveys conducted by Law & Politics Media Inc. and published in Los Angeles magazine. She was also profiled by the Los Angeles Business Journal for their Who's Who of Environmental Lawyers and Who's Who of L.A. Law special sections in 2008.

Tomkins serves on the board of directors for the California Minority Counsel Program, the Library Foundation of Los Angeles and the Constitutional Rights Foundation. She previously served on the board of directors for the Conference of California Public Utility Counsel, the Women's Lawyers Association of Los Angeles and Uncommon Good.

Tomkins graduated Order of the Coif from the USC Gould School of Law. She received her undergraduate degree in English, with High Distinction, from Pennsylvania State University.

#### Jerry C. Huang is the General Counsel of VIZIO, Inc.

Jerry C. Huang is the General Counsel of VIZIO, Inc., responsible for the vision and oversight of company's legal affairs. Since joining VIZIO, one of his significant achievements has been to successfully defend VIZIO against frivolous cases brought by non-practicing entities (NPEs), with 20 litigation victories over patent trolls to date. Prior to joining VIZIO in 2009, Jerry was chief legal counsel for Apex Digital, Inc., and counsel for the U.S. operations of Foxconn/Hon Hai Group. With close to fifteen years of in-house experience in the electronics and IT manufacturing industries, he possesses extensive knowledge in international transactions, disputes, manufacturing, distribution, retail, IP, litigation and marketing. Jerry was named to the Top 10 Most Innovative In-House Lawyers by the Daily Journal in 2010. In 2012, he received the General Counsel Award from the Orange County Business Journal. In 2013, the National Law Journal named VIZIO legal as SoCal Legal Department of the year in the technology category. Jerry received dual B.A. degrees with a minor from UCLA and J.D. from Southwestern Law School under the accelerated SCALE Program. Jerry began his career in the complex commercial litigation group at Lewis, Brisbois, Bisgaard & Smith.



#### Katherine Adkins, Group Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Toyota Financial Services

Katherine Adkins is Group Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for Toyota Financial Services (TFS). Adkins oversees the Legal Department, Enterprise Compliance Department, Internal Audit Department, and Vendor Management Office, providing direction, vision, and strategy to support TFS business objectives and to ensure integrity of enterprise-wide legal, compliance and audit risk management. Adkins serves as Chief Corporate Governance Officer and on the Senior Management Committee for TFS. Adkins reports to Mike Groff, President and CEO.

Adkins joined TFS in 2000 as Managing Counsel and has served in various leadership roles within the legal department prior to taking the General Counsel role in 2009.

Adkins has a passion for innovation and serves as the executive sponsor of the Company's creativity and innovation efforts. TFS has created workshops and training sessions where associates develop innovation skills and improve their creativity, with the goal of creating value to the Company. Adkins enjoys gardening, travel and spending time with her family.

#### Paulette Dodson, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, PetSmart, Inc.

Paulette Dodson is senior vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary of PetSmart, Inc., a \$7 billion pet specialty retailer with over 1400 stores and a home office in Phoenix, Arizona. From 2007 to 2012, Paulette was with Sara Lee Corporation, where she served as general counsel and corporate secretary as well as chief counsel of North American operations. Prior to that, she served in various legal roles at Tribune Company. Paulette earned her bachelor's degree from City College of New York and a juris doctor degree from Cornell Law School.

#### Horacio Gutiérrez, Corporate Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, Microsoft

Horacio Gutiérrez, corporate vice president and deputy general counsel, leads Microsoft's Products and Services legal group. He oversees a team of 230+ professionals and the legal strategy for a wide variety of matters, including complex commercial transactions, IP licensing, regulatory compliance, and issues related to the development and distribution of Microsoft's products and services.

Previously, Gutiérrez led Microsoft's worldwide Innovation and Intellectual Property Group, managing the development and maintenance of the company's IP portfolio, including patents, copyrights, trademarks, and trade secrets. He was responsible for Microsoft's patent licensing, and IP and public policy strategy. Gutierrez managed the team responsible for regulatory compliance in the areas of telecom, privacy, accessibility and security, as well as Microsoft's corporate standards team.

Gutiérrez also led Microsoft's legal and government affairs practice for Europe, Middle East, and Africa. Before joining Microsoft, he managed an international IP, competition, and commercial law practice at the Miami office of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius. Prior to that, he was a vice president of corporate finance for a leading Latin American investment bank.

Gutiérrez has practiced in both civil and common law jurisdictions. He holds a Master of Laws degree from Harvard Law School, which he attended as a Fulbright Scholar; a Juris Doctor degree summa cum laude, from the University Of Miami School Of Law; a Bachelor of Laws degree from Universidad Católica Andres Bello in Caracas, Venezuela; and a Specialization in Corporate and Commercial Law from the same institution.



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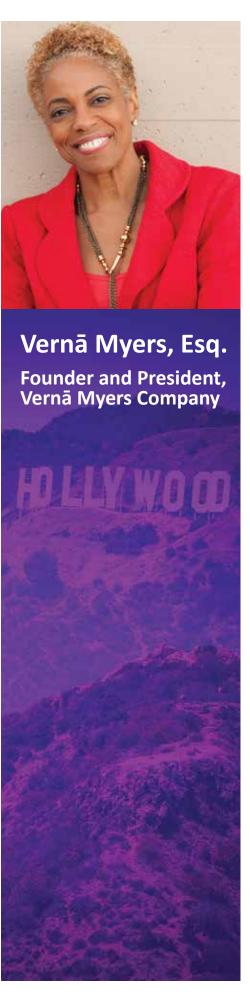
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## **Keynote Speaker** Friday, September 18 Vernā Myers, Esq.

Vernā Myers, Esq., is Founder and President of The Vernā Myers Company. She is an engaging expert facilitator, a spirited motivational speaker and a courageous strategic advisor whose understanding of complex workplace dynamics is unparalleled. With her team of exceptional consultants, The Vernā Myers Consulting Group (VMCG), she has helped hundreds of organizations in the for-profit, non-profit, academic and government arenas create and sustain inclusive environments where traditionally underrepresented groups can thrive. From conducting cultural assessments and developing comprehensive strategic diversity action plans, to designing and facilitating compelling, interactive workshops, Vernā and her team are changing the face of workplace dynamics.

An internationally sought after leader and speaker, Vernā moves fluidly from keynote stages to executive retreats, from global conferences to intimate workshop settings. Her uplifting, joyful style breathes fresh energy into challenging conversions around bias, cultural competence, inclusion, gender, sexual orientation and race. Her visionary speeches, appearances and transformative message of power and possibility have touched a million lives including her inspiring TED talk, "How to Overcome Our Biases? Walk Boldly Toward Them," which offers three ways any person can become an active participant in countering racial bias.

Author of the best-selling books Moving Diversity Forward: How to Move From Well-Meaning to Well-Doing and What If I Say the Wrong Thing? 25 Habits for Culturally Effective People, Vernā has received numerous prestigious awards for her work in championing diversity.

A graduate of Harvard Law School and Barnard College, Columbia University, prior to establishing TVMC, Vernā was the first Executive Director of The Boston Law Firm Group, served as Deputy Chief of Staff for the Attorney General of Massachusetts (1997-99), and practiced corporate and real estate law at Testa, Hurwitz & Thibeault, LLP.

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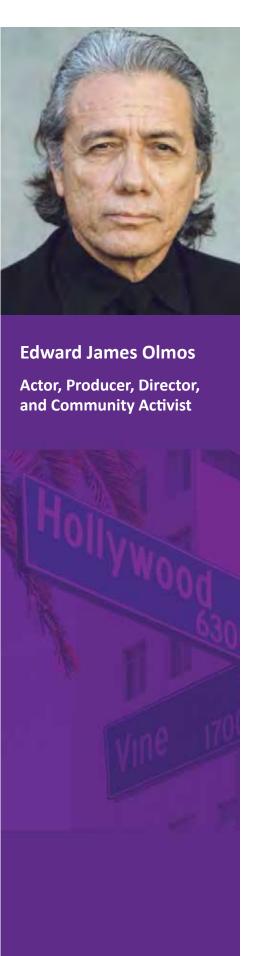








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## **Luncheon Speaker Friday, September 18 Edward James Olmos**

Known as the "Olivier of the Latino world," Edward James Olmos is an individual flowing with talent and creativity. The multi-talented actor, producer, director, and community activist was born and raised in East Los Angeles, and spent many years in theatrical roles until his mesmerizing performance in the musical play Zoot Suit, which led to a Tony Award nomination. He later recreated the role for film, and went on to star in such films as Wolfen and Blade Runner. He then scored a personal success with his role as a Mexican cowboy in The Ballad of Gregorio Cortez, directed by Robert M. Young, who also directed Olmos in Saving Grace, Triumph of the Spirit, Talent for the Game, and Caught. Olmos also starred Commander Adama on the critically acclaimed series Battlestar Galactica.

In April 1999, Olmos launched a nationwide multimedia project called Americanos: Latino Life in the United States, a celebration of Latino culture through photography, film, music, and the printed word. The project was co-sponsored by Time Warner Inc., and designed to inspire Latino pride, and to build bridges among Latinos and others. Americanos included a five-year traveling photography exhibition organized by the Smithsonian Institution; a music CD featuring Latino artists; a documentary that aired on HBO; and a book co-edited by Olmos of essays, photos, and commentary by today's most notable figures in the Hispanic community.

In 1997, Olmos starred as Abraham Quintanilla in the much-anticipated Warner Bros. feature film release of Selena. He also starred in the acclaimed film,12 Angry Men, for Showtime television, directed by William Friedkin. In 1996, he starred in the ABC miniseries, Dead Man's Walk, which was the prequel to Lonesome Dove. He also completed the movie The Limbic Region, and starred in the critically acclaimed Sony Pictures Classic thriller, Caught.

Olmos was honored with a Golden Globe Award and an Emmy nomination for his work in HBO's The Burning Season, the story of the Brazilian political activist Chico Mendes. As a producer, he currently has a development deal with ABC.

Olmos has completed five feature films in 1995: My Family/Mi Familia, directed by Gregory Nava; Mirage; Slave of Dreams, a Showtime Production; and Roosters, an American Playhouse Production. In 1994, Olmos played Jose Menendez in the CBS mini-series, Menendez: A Murder in Beverly Hills. He was also the executive producer of the award-winning NBC documentary, Lives In Hazard, which premiered that year. In 1992, he marked his directorial debut and starred in the powerful feature film, American Me, for his production company, Olmos Productions. In 1988, he received an Oscar nomination for his portrayal of Jaime Escalante, the eccentric but dedicated math teacher, in Stand and Deliver, which he also produced. Olmos also won an Emmy Award and a Golden Globe Award for his portrayal of Lt. Castillo on the popular television series Miami Vice. In 2013, Olmos starred in Go For Sisters, Two Guns, and Filly Brown.

While busy producing, directing and acting, Olmos also makes time to participate in many humanitarian efforts. He is a US Goodwill Ambassador for UNICEF, and a national spokesperson for organizations such as the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. He has worked with David Rockefeller of the Rockefeller Foundation, and serves on the boards of many groups and organizations.

He is also the executive director of the Lives In Hazard Educational Project, a national gang prevention program funded by the US Dept. of Justice. He speaks at an average of 150 institutions each year. He also played an instrumental role in the cleanup efforts after the LA riots, the 1993 Los Angeles earthquake, and Hurricane Andrew in Florida.





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9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The Amazing Race Around Hollywood Presented by The Emerging Leaders **Loews Lobby** 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Mezzanine Level Vendor Expo Set-Up 12:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **Registration and Vendor Expo** 1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. **Law Firm Member First Time Attendee Orientation** Studio D Moderated by: Janice Brown, Brown Law Group Amy Miletich, MiletichCohen PC

1:50 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. The Art of Marketing – Academy Award or Golden Raspberry? Studio A-C Part I (Law Firm Members Only)

**CLE Session: Reel Justice: The Courtroom Goes to the Movies** 3:05 p.m. - 4:05 p.m.

Studio A-C Presenter: Paul Bergman, Professor of Law Emeritus, UCLA School of Law

4:10 p.m. - 4:55 p.m. **In-House Counsel First Time Attendee Orientation** Studio D

Moderated by:

Barbara Stevens, Vice President and Corporate Counsel, Prudential

Matt Morningstar, Executive Director, Morgan Stanley

**In-House Counsel Meet & Greet** (In-House ONLY Session) **Pool Deck** 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

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6:15 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Kick-Off Cocktail Reception: Universal Studios Backlot Loews Lobby

The Group will depart the lobby by bus at approximately 6:15 p.m.

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. **Registration and Vendor Expo Mezzanine Level** 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast Mezzanine Level** 8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Welcome Remarks: Dave Jones, California Insurance Commissioner Studio A-C General Session: Sandra Phillips, General Counsel and Chief Legal Officer

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CLE Session: Gone in 60 Seconds: Pulling Back the Curtain on Privacy and 9:20 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. Runyon/Laurel

**Cybersecurity in a Connected World** 

Panelists:

Dennis Garcia, Assistant General Counsel, Microsoft Jessica Vartanian, Attorney, Bush Seyferth & Paige PLLC George Peters, Fiat

Thomas J. Koch, Attorney, Pugh, Jones & Johnson, P.C. Nate Garhart, Attorney, Cobalt Law, LLP

9:20 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. CLE Session: Breaking (from) Bad: Voluntary Corporate Disclosure of Doheny/Beachwood

**Individual Employee Misconduct** 

Presented by: White Collar Defense and Internal Investigations Practice Area Committee

Preston Pugh, Partner, Pugh, Jones & Johnson, P.C. (Moderator) Ellen Brotman, Member, Griesing Law, LLC

Asha Muldro, Partner, Willenken Wilson Loh & Delgado LLP

Malissia Clinton, SVP/GC/Corporate Secretary for the Aerospace Corporation

Brian Michael, VP/Deputy GC/Group Chief Compliance Officer, 21st Century Fox Group, Fox Networks

9:20 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. CLE Session: Counsel's Choice - The Ethical Dilemma of the Three-Legged

Stool: Effective Interaction with the Insurer, Insured and Defense Counsel (Ethics)

Panelists:

Pamela W. Carter, Carter Law Group, LLC

Byron Hansbro, Counsel, State Farm Insurance Company

David Kenna, Hartford Insurance Company Gary Wood, Assistant General Counsel, Nationwide

Charles Brown, Founding Member and Senior Partner, Fields & Brown, LLC

David Shaw, Liberty Mutual Regional Counsel, Liberty Mutual Enterprise





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#### ANNUAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 16-19, 2015 Hollywood, California

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 (Continued)

CLE Session: Up Close & Personal: Best Practices for Use of Solano 9:20 a.m. - 10:20 a.m.

**Employee Personality Assessments** 

Kimberly Hensley, AVP/Associate General Counsel, Nationwide

Sarah Crabtree Perez, Perez & Morris LLC Amy L. Gaffney, Partner, Gaffney, Lewis & Edwards

Jay J. Price, Associate General Counsel & SVP, Bank of America

9:20 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. **CLE Session: The Paper Chase: Key Contract Provisions Every Business** Studio D-E

**Lawyer Should Know And Care About** 

Panelists:

Lizz Patrick, Founding Member, of Patrick Law Group

Karen Lee, Senior Counsel, Southern California Gas Company

Tim Walsh, Senior Legal Counsel, Advent Software, Inc.

Jaime E. Toro-Monserrate, Shareholder and Director, Toro, Colón, Mullet, Rivera & Sifre, P.S.C.

10:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. **Law Firm Expo and Lunch** Dolby Ballroom (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)

> NAMWOLF's signature event provides a unique opportunity to meet with the top minority and women owned law firms in the country. In-house counsel has the opportunity to schedule fifteen-minute appointments with selected firms or walk the Expo freely. A detailed directory of NAMWOLF firms is

distributed prior to the Annual Meeting and Law Firm Expo. We will also

provide lunch during the Law Firm Expo.

**Law Firm Interviews** Dolby Ballroom (5th Floor) 2:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

> Based on feedback received from In-House Counsel, we will keep the EXPO area open from 2:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. to provide an opportunity for In-House Counsel to schedule appointments with law firms outside of the

Law Firm EXPO time period of 10:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. **CLE Session: Get Smart: The DOJ Rewrites Its FCPA Screenplay** Solano

Panelists:

Andres Rivero, Partner, Rivero Mestre

Paul Loh, Partner, Willenken Wilson Loh & Delgado LLP Mayda Prego, Senior Counsel, Chevron Upstream

Linda lannone, Chief Compliance Officer, Toyota Financial Services

2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. CLE Session: Data Sciences in Discovery Practice (or 20,000 Gigs Under the C:) Doheny/Beachwood

Panelists:

Sanjay Manocha, Director of Discovery Analytics and Review, RVM Enterprises, Inc.

Sandra Gallini, Senior Legal Counsel, Global Litigation, Shell Oil Company Aimee Creed, Senior Attorney, d'Arcambal Ousley & Cuyler Burk LLP

CLE Session: The Employment Law Think Tank – The Sequel Studio C 2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Presented by: The Labor & Employment Practice Area Committee

2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. **CLE Session: To Kill or Not to Kill - The Trial Attorney** Studio D-E

Presented by: The Trials Practice Area Committee

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Brave New World: Latest Trends in Law Department Operations (In-House Only) Studio D-E

Fran Griesing, Managing Member, Griesing Law, LLC (Moderator)

Lani Quarmby, Associate General Counsel and Senior Vice President, Bank of America Alan Bryan, Associate General Counsel Legal Administration & External Relations

Outside Counsel Management, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. Dan Howard, Director of Legal Operations, Sempra Energy

The Art of Marketing – Academy Award or Golden Raspberry? Studio C

Part II (Law Firm Members Only)

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Emerging Leaders Annual Business Meeting (Law Firm Members Only)** Doheny/Beachwood

Annual meeting and update of the Emerging Leaders group on all matters.

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3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Studio D-E

Solano

Runyon/Laurel

Studio A-C

Dolby Ballroom (5th Floor)

Doheny/Beachwood

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#### ANNUAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 16-19, 2015 Hollywood, California

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THURSDAY.	<b>SEPTEMBER 17</b>	(Confinued)

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. **Cocktail Reception: Madame Tussauds Hollywood Madame Tussauds** 

Attendees are able to take a five minute walk to Madame Tussauds

for a very exciting an interactive cocktail reception. Follow the NAMWOLF Signs!

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18** 

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

6:45 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. **Hollywood Hills Hike Loews Lobby** 

Meet in the lobby and depart for a hike in the Hollywood Hills.

7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. **Registration and Vendor Expo** 

7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. **Advisory Council Meeting (In-House ONLY Session)** 

Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker: Vernā Myers

**CLE Session: CLE Session: Snakes in the Courtroom-Defanging** 10:05 a.m. - 11:05 a.m.

the Snake Before the Bite

Gary Lafayette, Partner, Lafayette & Kumagai LLP

Arnold Barba, Partner, Lim, Ruger & Kim, LLP

Bill Kanasky, Ph.D., Jury Consultant, Courtroom Sciences, Inc. Julie Gibbens, Associate General Counsel, Wal-Mart

Cranston Williams, Senior Counsel, Sempra Energy

10:05 a.m. - 11:05 a.m. **CLE Session: How To Get Ahead (of Legal Issues) In Advertising** 

(in the Digital Age)

Alice McTighe, Vice President and Assistant General Counsel, Pandora Media, Inc.

Beverly Shin, Director, Legal – Global IP & Marketing, Harman International Industries, Inc.

Tsan Abrahamson, Founding Partner, Cobalt LLP

Jorge Espinosa, Partner, Espinosa Trueba, PL

10:05 a.m. - 11:05 a.m. Law & Order - Special Investigative Unit

Presented by: The Insurance Practice Area Committee

Doheny/Beachwood 10:05 a.m. - 11:05 a.m. **CLE: The Glitz and Glamour of Commercial Transactions** 

Presented by: The Transactional Practice Area Committee

**CLE Session:** The Invisible (Wo)man: Staying Out of the Limelight: 10:05 a.m. - 11:05 a.m.

**Essential Tactics to Combat Unconscious Bias in the Workplace** 

Panelists:

Darren R. Jones, Labor and Employment Counsel, United Parcel Service, Inc.

Jodi L. Campbell, Vice President - Employment Law & Labor Relations Group, Wyndham Worldwide

Katherin Nukk-Freeman, Co-Founder, Nukk-Freeman & Cerra, P.C. Employment Attorneys

Miray Gweon, Employment Counsel, Celgene Corporation

Phillip K. Cha, Senior Counsel, Lim, Ruger & Kim, LLP

11:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. **General Counsel Panel Studio A-C** 

> Join us for what has become a popular staple of the NAMWOLF Annual Meeting. Featuring the following **General Counsel:**

Paulette Dodson, General Counsel and Secretary, PetSmart Inc.

Horacio Gutierrez, Deputy General Counsel & Corporate Vice President, Legal and Corporate Affairs, Microsoft

Sharon Tomkins, Vice President and General Counsel, SoCalGas

Jerry Huang, Vice President and General Counsel, Vizio

Katherine Adkins, Group Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Toyota Financial Services

**Luncheon Featuring Keynote Speaker: Edward James Olmos** 12:55 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

> Named by Hispanic Magazine as the nation's most influential Hispanic-American, celebrity speaker Edward James Olmos is a respected actor and a passionate

community activist.





Dolby Ballroom (5th Floor)

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#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 (Continued)

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

CLE Session: A Retail and Hospitality Tale: Guns, Money and Data Runyon/Laurel 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Presented by: The Retail, Restaurant and Hospitality Practice Area Committee

Amy Kurson, Reyes Kurson, Ltd.

Christian Torgrimson, Pursley Friese Torgrimson Pat Lopez, Rusing Lopez & Lizardi, P.L.L.C.

Sloane Perras, Chief Legal Officer, The Krystal Company

CLE Session: HEADLINE - Tweet by the "American Sniper" **Studio C** 

to his "Boyhood" friend destroys his lawsuit claiming he suffered "Whiplash"

while filming "The Imitation Game." #socialmediausedasevidence

Panelists:

Karen L. Giffen, Partner, Giffen & Kaminski, LLC

Kimberly Howard, Partner, Smith Fisher Maas Howard & Lloyd, PC Jim Beyer, Senior Counsel – Labor & Employment, General Electric

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. CLE: Flash of (Legal) Genius: An In-House Perspective on Intellectual Studio D-E

**Property Strategy** 

Panelists:

Ray Ashburg, Associate General Counsel – IP, Electrolux North America, Inc.

Jennie Salazar, Managing Attorney, JL Salazar Law Firm Michael Springs, Chief Patent Counsel, Bank of America Hope Shimabuku, Vice President and Corporate Counsel, Xerox

Jose Rojas, DLD Lawyers

Gillian Thackray, VP Chief IP Counsel, The Clorox Company

The Unusual Suspects...Criminalization of Corporate Conduct Solano

Presented by: The Products Liability Practice Area Committee

CLE Session: Star Wars: Trying a Technical and/or Scientific Case: Strategies Dohney/Beachwood 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

for Persuasive Presentations

Stephanie Zapata Moore, Vice President and General Counsel, Luminant Generation Company LP

Melanie Okon, Equity Member, Estes Okon Thorne & Carr, PLLC

Jennifer Morris, Litigation Attorney, AT&T

Janice Brown, Partner, Brown Law Group

3:40 p.m. - 4:40 p.m. LinkedIn For Lawyers – Land a Leading Role on Your Client's Newsfeed Studio C

> Presented by: Kevin Nichols, Social Media Brand Expert Directed by: The Marketing Best Practices Committee

3:40 p.m. - 4:40 p.m. The Minority / Majority Partnership Report (In-House Only Session) Studio D-E

Panelists:

Dionna Litvin, Merck Julie Mazza, DuPont

Nate Saint Victor, Morgan Stanley

Stephanie Scharf, Scharf Banks Marmor LLC

**Gala Awards Cocktail Reception** 

6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Sponsored by: Nukk-Freeman & Cerra, P.C.

7:15 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. **Gala Award Dinner** Dolby Ballroom (5th Floor)

Award Winners and Entertainment TBA

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Financial Services Practice Area Committee Business Meeting	Doheny
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Insurance Practice Area Committee Business Meeting	Beachwood
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Products Liability Practice Area Committee Business Meeting	Runyon
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Restaurant Retail & Hospitality Practice Area Committee Business	Laurel
9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	Labor & Employment Practice Area Committee Business Meeting	Laurel
9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	Intellectual Property Practice Area Committee Business Meeting	Runyon
10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Trials Practice Area Committee Business Meeting	Beachwood

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Walmart's mission is to save people money so they can live better. To deliver on that promise, we have to understand and connect with our customers and communities. That means having a diverse group of associates, suppliers, and service vendors who reflect the values of our customers and communities. Walmart established its Supplier Diversity Initiative in 1994; at the time, annual spend with diverse suppliers was around \$2 million. Currently, Walmart does business with more than 3,500 minority- and women-owned suppliers, spending over \$13 billion with them in 2014.

As part of our commitment to diversity, we partner with thousands of diverse suppliers in every merchandise category. That same commitment extends to Walmart's Legal Department, which has been purposeful about utilizing minority- and women-owned law firms (MWOLFs) for a wide variety of legal matters. In the past decade alone, the legal department has spent tens of millions of dollars with MWOLFs. In 2010, Walmart was one of the founding members of the Inclusion Initiative, and every year since its launch, we have pledged to spend millions with MWOLFs. MWOLF-spend represents a significant percentage of Walmart's overall legal budget.

Walmart has been a proud sponsor of NAMWOLF since 2005, when it was a sponsor of the 1st Annual Meeting in Chicago. Along the way, Walmart attorneys began getting involved with NAMWOLF, and they have been a part of the programming as speakers and panelists for most of the annual meetings over the last decade. Each year, Walmart sends a contingent of its attorneys to NAMWOLF meetings, some of whom are new so that they are introduced to the organization more broadly; these attendees have participated in past law firm expos and law firm interviews. As a result, we count many NAMWOLF firms among those Walmart utilizes.

In 2014, Walmart more than tripled its financial support for NAMWOLF, which was for the continued sponsorship of programming, but also to grow the organization in states where NAMWOLF firms did not have a presence. As a result of its work in that area, NAMWOLF has become a more inclusive and widespread organization that has increased opportunities for MWOLFs across the country. Additionally, Walmart regularly introduces NAMWOLF and its firms to other corporate legal departments through benchmarking and other avenues. Internally, Walmart's Legal Department makes specific efforts to see that NAMWOLF firms have opportunities to grow or initiate relationships through RFPs, interviews, and introductions.

Currently, three attorneys in the Walmart Legal Department serve on NAMWOLF's In-House Advisory Council, one of whom also serves on NAMWOLF's admissions and law firm MVP committees. Walmart attorneys have served and are serving as PAC liaisons, as Emerging Leaders mentors, and on the LGBT Project Task Force. Walmart looks forward to continuing, as well as expanding, its relationship with NAMWOLF and its member firms for many years to come.

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Illinois	Missouri	Tennessee	

Some states offer reciprocity for attendance of CLE activity in states that also have mandatory CLE requirements. The following states offer reciprocity:

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#### Tsan Abrahamson, Founding Partner, Cobalt LLP

Tsan Abrahamson's practice focuses on strategic counseling in the areas of social media, sweepstakes, intellectual property, advertising, trademark clearance, trademark and copyright prosecution, licensing, and other business transactions. She also manages the adverse proceedings practice at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. Tsan has an extensive practice in the area of marketing promotions, including social media promotions, gift card and gift certificate marketing, print and online sweepstakes, contests, give-aways, warranties, rebates, and coupon promotions. Tsan completed her undergraduate work at Dartmouth College, and received both her JD and MBA from the UCLA School of Law and The Anderson Graduate School of Management.

#### Ray Ashburg, Associate General Cousnel - IP, Electrolux North America, Inc.

Ray Ashburg is an Associate General Counsel of IP at Electrolux and adjunct professor of IP Law at the University of Houston Law Center. He has a JD from Wake Forest University School of Law and an LL.M. in IP Law from the University of Houston Law Center. Prior to joining Electrolux, Ray worked as Senior IP Counsel with Dow Chemical, and in private practice. Ray is a frequent speaker on IP topics relating to Federal Circuit Appeals and other IP topics.

#### Arnold Barba, Partner, Lim, Ruger & Kim, LLP

Arnold Barba is a Partner in Lim Ruger's Los Angeles office where he concentrates his practice in complex commercial litigation, including insurance recovery and enforcement, real estate, complex tort, and unfair competition matters. He specializes in representing corporate insurance policyholders in connection with insurance enforcement and recovery. In addition, he has substantial experience representing corporate clients in complex commercial litigation matters. Mr. Barba has tried or arbitrated more than a dozen cases to verdict. Mr. Barba is also an Adjunct Professor of Law at Pepperdine University School of Law in Malibu, California, teaching an upper division course on civil trial preparation and settlement. Mr. Barba is a graduate of UCLA with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and the UCLA School of Law.

#### Paul Bergman, Professor of Law Emeritus, UCLA School of Law

Paul Bergman is a Professor of Law Emeritus at the UCLA School of Law. Paul received his J.D. from UC Berkeley (Boalt Hall). Paul clerked on the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals and before entering law teaching was an associate at Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp in Los Angeles. Paul has received a number of teaching awards, including a University Distinguished Teaching award. Paul has given film clip-based presentations to groups of lawyers and judges all over the country. Paul has also appeared on numerous radio and TV shows, including The Today Show (NBC), Burden of Proof (CNN) and Tom Girardi's "Heroes of Justice" radio program. Books that Paul has authored or co-authored include of Reel Justice: The Courtroom Goes to the Movies (2d ed 2006); Cracking the Case Method: Legal Analysis for Law School Success (2012); Depositions in a Nutshell (2010); Trial Advocacy in a Nutshell (5th ed 2013); Lawyers as Counselors (3d ed, 2012), Evidence Law and Practice (6th ed 2014); Represent Yourself in Court (8th ed 2013); The Criminal Law Handbook (14th ed 2015); Criminal Law- A Desk Reference (3rd ed 2015); and The Deposition Handbook (5th ed. 2013). Paul has written numerous law review articles and book chapters. In recent popular culture-related articles, Paul has discussed the lawyering techniques of Horace Rumpole, the crusty barrister featured in the classic British TV series Rumpole of the Bailey. Paul has also analyzed the portrayal of rape evidence law on TV in a chapter entitled "A Third Rapist? Television Portrayals of Rape Evidence Rules," in the book Law and Justice on the Small Screen (Robson & Silbey eds).

#### Jim Beyer, Senior Counsel – Labor & Employment, General Electric

Jim Beyer (Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago-Kent College of Law, J.D. 1984) is currently Senior Counsel – Labor & Employment for General Electric in its Power & Water business. He joined GE in 2014 with over 25 years of experience in labor and employment law. Jim was the Director of Employment Law at Accenture for 14 years, joining as its first employment lawyer and overseeing the Company's growth from 60,000 employees to over 215,000 people in 2011 and 18 lawyers supporting the employment law team. Prior to Accenture, Jim was a Senior L&E counsel with IBM for four years. He also was in private practice with Seyfarth Shaw as both a Senior Counsel from 2011-2014, and as an associate prior to beginning his in-house legal career. Jim is an adjunct Professor at IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, teaching courses in both domestic and international employment law. Jim was admitted as a Fellow in the College of Labor & Employment Lawyers in 2006.

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#### Ellen Brotman, Member, Griesing Law, LLC

Ellen Brotman is a member of Griesing Law, LLC. Ms. Brotman has had a diverse career, serving as an Assistant Federal Defender in Philadelphia, owning her own boutique firm, working in "biglaw" and finally, joining Griesing, a woman owned firm in May 2015 as Chair of its White Collar and Government Investigations Practice. Ms. Brotman, who has over 25 years of experience litigating in federal court, concentrates her practice on white collar criminal defense, including grand jury representations, corporate compliance and ethics issues, and representation of professionals before licensing boards. Ms. Brotman is a Certified Compliance and Ethics Professional (CCEP), having received certification from the Society of Corporate Compliance & Ethics (SCCE) Academy in September 2010. Ms. Brotman has handled many high profile cases, including most recently, defending a United States Army General in sexual assault prosecution in military court and writes and speaks frequently on criminal defense, compliance and ethics issues. Before moving to Philadelphia, Ms. Brotman clerked for Judge Lee P. Gagliardi in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Ms. Brotman attended the State University of New York at Albany and Albany Law School. She is admitted in Pennsylvania and New York.

#### Charles Brown, Founding Member and Senior Partner, Fields & Brown, LLC

Charles R. Brown is a founding member and senior partner with Fields & Brown, LLC in Kansas City, Missouri. During his 38 years of experience, Mr. Brown has prosecuted and defended in excess of 100 jury trials to verdict, including several capital murder trials. As a result of his vast trial experience, Mr. Brown is involved in most of the complex litigation matters handled by Fields & Brown. Currently, he manages the workers' compensation and insurance defense practice areas at Fields & Brown. In 2014, Mr. Brown was recognized as a Top Rated Lawyer in Insurance Law by American Lawyer Media and Martindale-Hubbell. He is a member of the Missouri Bar Association, and is admitted to practice before federal district courts and courts of appeals, including the United States Supreme Court.

#### Janice P. Brown, Owner, Brown Law Group

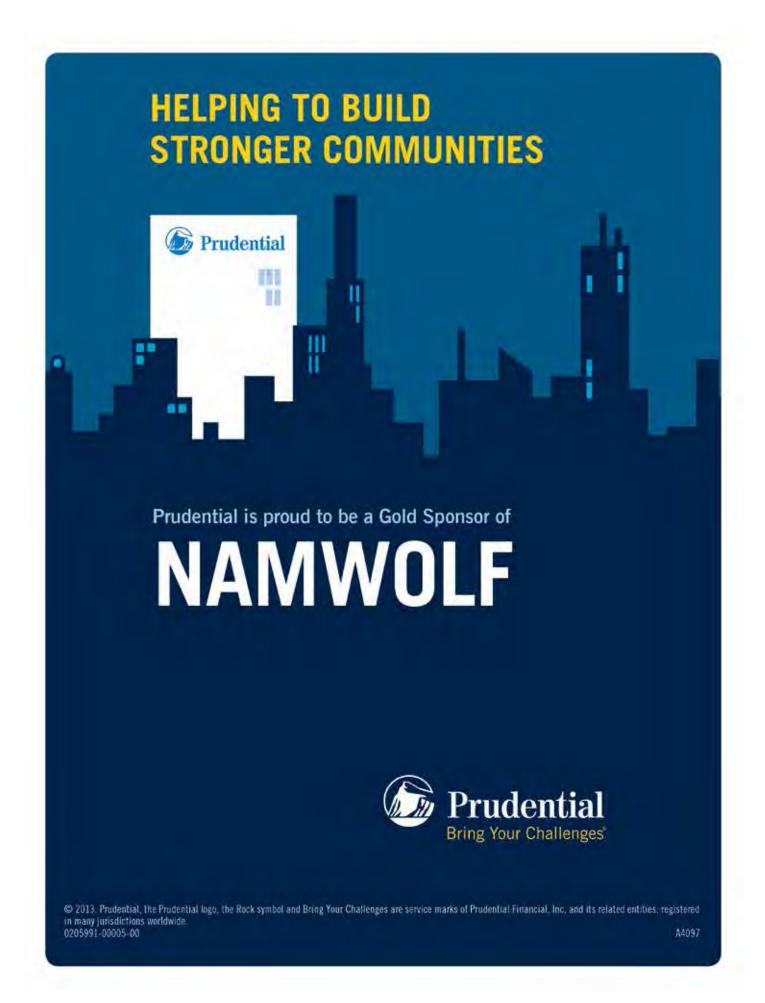
Janice P. Brown is the owner of Brown Law Group (BLG), a Southern California law firm specializing in business litigation with an emphasis in employment, intellectual property, fraud, contract, and class action litigation. As a trial lawyer and arbitrator with the AAA, Ms. Brown is known for her professional distinctions as well as her commitment to the legal community. Ms. Brown is also the founder of Beyond Law, a company designed to help lawyers reach their full potential; developmentally, professionally and financially in the areas of business development and networking. Ms. Brown's passion for helping lawyers to succeed in "building the business of you" is the foundation upon which Beyond Law is built. Ms. Brown's commitment to excellence has earned her numerous accolades throughout her career: Department of Justice-Trial Lawyer of the Year; California Association of Black Lawyers-Lawyer of the Year; Gonzaga University Alumni Association-Distinguished Alumni Merit Award; and San Diego Regional MSDC-Supplier of the Year. AV-Preeminent rated, Ms. Brown has been recognized as a Super Lawyer since 2007. Ms. Brown is a 1984 graduate of Gonzaga Law School and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Journalism in 1981 from the University of Montana.

#### Alan Bryan, Associate General Counsel Legal Administration & External Relations Outside Counsel Management, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

Alan Bryan leads the Office of Outside Counsel Management for Walmart, overseeing the company's relationship with law firms throughout the United States. Previously, he managed litigation for Walmart arising out of many of its 5,000+ U.S. stores. Prior to joining Walmart in 2011, he was a partner in Arkansas's largest law firm. Mr. Bryan is a member of the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel and the National Association of Women Lawyers ("NAWL"). He co-founded the NAWL Challenge Club, designed to increase the number of women partners in law firms and he sits on the board of directors for DirectWomen, a national organization working to increase women lawyers on corporate boards. Mr. Bryan is an active participant in NAMWOLF serving on the In-House Advisory Council, as an Emerging Leaders mentor, and as liaison to the Retail, Restaurant & Hospitality PAC. In 2015, the Association of Corporate Counsel named him to its "Top Ten 30-Somethings" in the nation and Northwest Arkansas Business Journal named him a"40 Under Forty" honoree for those best in class across Arkansas industries. He also helped design an international diversity program that won the company's 2015 Martin Luther King, Jr. Visionary Award, for significant contributions to "diversity, inclusion, justice, and human rights."

#### Jodi L. Campbell, Vice President - Employment Law & Labor Relations Group, Wyndham Worldwide

Jodi L. Campbell has been practicing for the past 15 years. After graduating from Rutgers College and Seton Hall University School of Law, she represented management in New York and New Jersey during her 8 years of private practice. She moved in-house first with a Telecommunications company and then to Wyndham Worldwide where she has been internally representing her clients for 7 years. She specializes in all aspects of Labor, Employment and Immigration law including: executive agreements, policies, compensation and benefit plans, employment litigation, mergers & acquisitions and government relations with respect to employment matters; union avoidance, collective bargaining negotiations, litigating arbitrations and organizing efforts. For Wyndham Worldwide, her employment law team is a shared service representing all of Wyndham Worldwide's business units and corporate in its various hotel, exchange & rental and timeshare entities.



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#### Pamela Carter, Carter Law Group LLC

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#### Phillip K. Cha, Senior Counsel, Lim Ruger

Phillip K. Cha is a Senior Counsel at Lim Ruger, where he specializes in representing management in labor and employment matters, including litigation, administrative proceedings, and HR counseling. Mr. Cha's litigation practice is comprised of discrimination, harassment, wrongful termination and wage-and-hour claims, including both single-plaintiff and class-action matters. Mr. Cha also has in-depth experience dealing with actions by state and federal government agencies, including the California Labor Commissioner, California Department of Fair Employment and Housing, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and U.S. Department of Labor. In addition to Mr. Cha's litigation practice, he regularly provides HR counseling regarding the full spectrum of personnel issues, including employee discipline, terminations, leaves of absence, wage-and-hour compliance and reductions in force. When it comes to this aspect of his practice, Mr. Cha prides himself on being able to effectively balance business and legal considerations. Mr. Cha is a graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles and the UCLA School of Law.

#### Malissia R. Clinton, Senior Vice President General Counsel and Secretary, The Aerospace Corporation

Malissia R. Clinton is senior vice president, general counsel, and secretary. Her responsibilities include providing legal advice and counsel at the senior management level, managing corporate transactions of the board of trustees and its committees, and maintaining custody of the corporate records. Before joining Aerospace, Clinton was senior counsel for special projects in the Office of the General Counsel at Northrop Grumman's corporate offices, providing legal guidance regarding corporate governance, reporting directly to the general counsel and deputy general counsel/corporate secretary. She additionally supported the chief executive officer, the president, and the vice president of contracts, and provided risk assessments of contracts from Northrop Grumman's various business segments. Clinton began her Northrop Grumman career in 1998 in the Space Technology sector, first as counsel and later as senior counsel. Prior to joining Northrop Grumman she worked for the law firm of Tuttle and Taylor in Los Angeles, and as an undergraduate she worked summers as an analyst for the Central Intelligence Agency. Clinton earned a bachelor's degree in political science from Arizona State University, and earned her J.D. at Stanford Law School, where she was an editor of the Stanford Law Review. She is a graduate of the UCLA Anderson School's Executive Program in Business Management.

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#### Jorge Espinosa, Partner, Espinosa Trueba, PL

Jorge's practice centers around the domestic and international protection of trademarks and copyrights. He works with clients to develop both short term and long term strategies to achieve their goals whether these goals involve the strategic growth of an intellectual property portfolio or the aggressive protection of an existing portfolio. He works extensively with foreign counsel to develop international intellectual property strategies for clients. He has substantial experience serving as local counsel for firms seeking to enforce their client's rights in South Florida and Latin America. Jorge is fluent in English and Spanish.















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#### Sandra Gallini, Senior Legal Counsel, Global Litigation, Shell Oil Company

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#### **Dennis Garcia, Assistant General Counsel, Microsoft**

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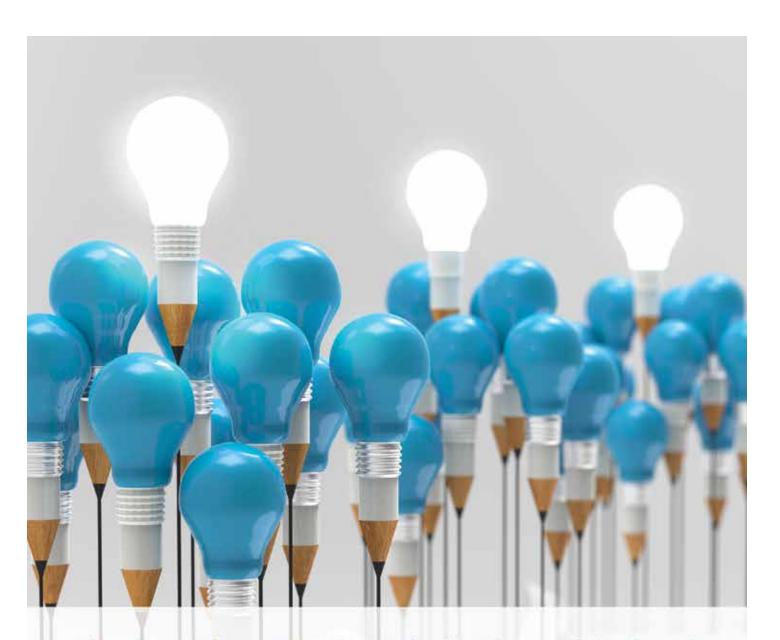
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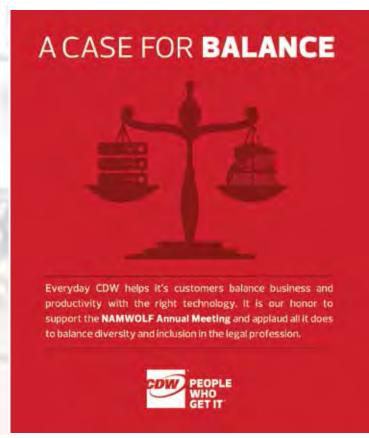


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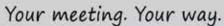
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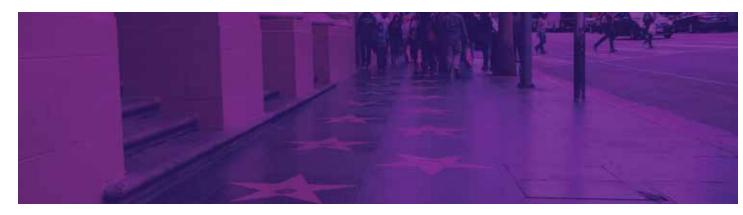
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Tim Walsh is currently Senior Legal Counsel at Advent Software, Inc., a San Francisco based supplier of software and services to the investment management industry. At Advent, Tim negotiates contracts for a variety of commercial transactions including software licenses, cloud services, strategic alliances, data subscription, and supplier agreements. Tim also advises the company on domestic and international privacy issues, intellectual property, and open source software matters. Prior to joining Advent, Tim held a variety of positions in the legal department of Accenture, where he negotiated complex agreements in the area of technology and business process outsourcing, professional services, joint development, and strategic alliances. In addition to his in-house experience, Tim was in private practice at Gordon & Glickson, a Chicago boutique firm, where he represented established and start-up technology companies, as well as customers in their procurement of technology solutions and services. Tim received his JD from Loyola University Chicago, an MBA in accountancy from Bentley University, and a BA in economics from Boston College.

#### **Cranston Williams, Senior Counsel, Sempra Energy**

Mr. Williams is an experienced trial lawyer who has handled an assortment of civil litigation matters ranging from personal injury to environmental litigation. Mr. Williams has served as in-house counsel at Southern California Gas Company and Sempra Engergy since November 2008, where he represents the company's interests in a variety of civil litigation matters, including commercial, personal injury, real estate, environmental and bankruptcy litigation. In his capacity as Senior Counsel, he handles some matters himself inhouse, including trials, works in conjunction with outside counsel on others, including sharing of litigation roles, and oversees outside counsel's litigation of the rest. In addition, he provides counsel to the company on pre-litigation matters and company policy. He is member of the company's Employee Diversity Council. Prior to going in-house, Mr. Williams was a partner at Baker & Hostetler, where he enjoyed a broad-based litigation practice, including complex commercial, bankruptcy, real estate, employment, trademark, environmental, toxic tort and product liability litigation. During that period, he represented a number of Fortune 100 clients in a range of different matters, including trials, mediations and arbitrations. Mr. Williams is a graduate of Lehman College with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and the UCLA School of Law.



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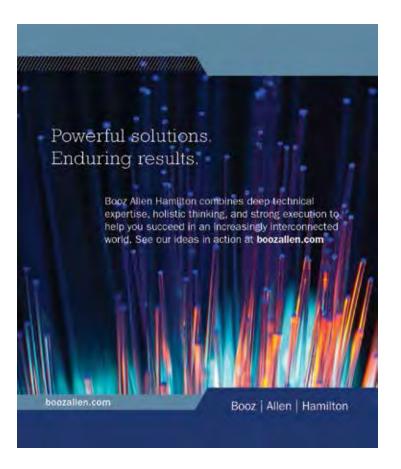
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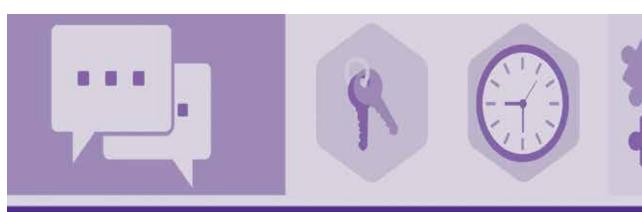
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