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Thursday, September 28, 2017

7:30–8:30 a.m.
Optional Breakfast Roundtable Discussion
Cyber Breach Aftermath: Civil Litigation, Insurance Risks, and the SEC Perspective
Presented by Charles River Associates
(Sponsored event with limited seating, registration required)

7:45 a.m.
Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:45 a.m.
Welcome and Overview
Juliann Cecchi, Assistant Dean, External Partnerships, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Chicago
Carrie J. Hightman, Institute Chair, EVP and Chief Legal Officer, NiSource Inc., Merrillville, IN

9–10 a.m.
What to Expect from the New Administration: Regulatory Developments for In-House Counsel
• Defending America-Borders, Homeland & National Security
• The nation’s health care and its impact on corporations and their employees
• Deregulation, job creation and tax reform
Moderator
Travis Lenkner, Managing Director, Burford Capital, Chicago
Panelist
Kevin Brown, Principal, Co-leader, Tax Controversy and Regulatory Services, PwC, Washington, D.C.
Reginald J. Brown, WilmerHale, Washington, D.C.
Jodie A. Curtis, Executive Vice President, District Policy Group, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, Washington, DC

10–10:15 a.m. | Break

10:15–11:15 a.m.
Is Your Compliance Program Ready for a Tune-Up?
• How have compliance programs evolved and what should yours include today?
• Questions to ask to be sure that your program is still effective
• How to use current communications and training methods to educate across the organization
Moderator
Kimberly W. White, Corporate Compliance Officer, Ingredion Incorporated, Westchester, IL
Panelists
Theodore (Ted) L. Banks, Scharf Banks Marmor LLC, Chicago, former Chief Counsel, Global Compliance Policy, Kraft Foods
Sarah M. DiLorenzo, Corporate VP and Chief Compliance Officer, Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., Rolling Meadows, IL
Gretchen A. Winter, Executive Director, Center for Professional Responsibility in Business and Society, College of Business, Adjunct Professor, College of Law and College of Business, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Chicago

11:15–11:30 a.m. | Break

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Labor and Employment Law: Hot Topics & Recent Developments
• Your hiring checklist - the expanding list of “do not ask” questions
• Agency action under Trump—what employers can expect
• LGBTQIA—the changing landscape of employment protections
• In 140 Characters or Less—the social media invasion into the workplace is unabated
Panelists
Megan Belcher, SVP and GC, The Scoular Company, Omaha, NE
Brett Rawitz, Associate GC, US Foods, Inc., Rosemont, IL
Anna Wermuth, Cozen O’Connor, Chicago (session lead)

12:30–1:30 p.m.
Lunch Sponsored by Houlihan Lokey

1:30–2:30 p.m.
Practicing Law in the Digital Age
The digital age has created an exciting set of new challenges for in-house lawyers. Legacy areas of risk have taken on a new dimension as our organizations experience rapid changes in technology, stakeholder expectations, and the threat environment. This panel will discuss the technology-related topics senior in-house counsel and GCs should be raising with their peers in their next one-on-ones.

Moderator
Colleen Batcheler, EVP, GC, and Corporate Secretary, Legal & Government Affairs, Conagra Brands Inc., Chicago

Panelists
Scott Culpepper, GC, The Rocket Science Group LLC d/b/a MailChimp, Atlanta
Trevor Foster, VP, Chief Counsel, Commercial Transactions, Conagra Brands, Inc., Chicago
Nancy C. Libin, Jenner & Block LLP, Washington, D.C.

2:30–2:45 p.m. | Break

2:45–3:45 p.m.
The Role of the GC in Board Related Matters
- Becoming the trusted advisor: How can the GC quickly establish relationships of trust with each Director and the Chair/Lead Director?
- Effectively managing the triad: the Chair/Lead Director/General Counsel relationships
- The General Counsel’s role in selection and onboarding of new directors
- Influencing the board’s agenda including what should be on that agenda for 2018 and beyond
- Key means of communication
- When to bring in outside counsel

Moderator
Carrie J. Hightman

Panelists
Thomas A. Cole, Sidley Austin LLP, Chicago
Theodore L. Dysart, Vice Chairman, Heidrick & Struggles, Chicago
John W. Rowe, Chairman Emeritus, Exelon Corporation, Chicago

3:45–4 p.m. | Break

4–5 p.m.
Lawyers as Leaders: Making the Transition from Individual Contributor to Leader
- What will your leadership style be and what do you stand for?
- How do you coach your team to become the “go-to” team and not the “have-to-go-to-team”?
- Successfully navigating your organization and avoiding “potholes.” Effectively managing bosses, business partners/clients, key stakeholders, and your employees
- Balancing multiple priorities and keeping your team focused on what’s most important

Moderator
Jodi J. Caro, GC, Chief Compliance Officer, and Corporate Secretary, ULTA Beauty, Bolingbrook, IL

Panelists
Hiranda Donoghue, Director and Managing Counsel - M&A Legal, Walgreens Co., Deerfield, IL
Deborah A. Golden, EVP, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary, GATX Corporation, Chicago
Brian P. Hanigan, VP, Associate GC, and Assistant Secretary, IDEX Corporation, Lake Forest, IL
Mary Ann Hynes, Senior Counsel, Dentons, Chicago

5 p.m.
Reception Sponsored By Mayer Brown LLP

Friday, September 29, 2017

7:45–8:45 a.m.
Optional Breakfast Roundtable Discussion
How to Enable Legal to Operate at the Speed of Business: New Strategies on Performance Management, Organizational Designs, and New Technology Tools
Presented by Morae Global
(Sponsored event with limited seating, registration required)

9–10 a.m.
Lawyers as Leaders: Values-Based Leadership
This lively and engaging session will offer a framework for adopting the principles of values-based leadership. Today’s business environment demands leaders who, in “doing the right thing,” deliver outstanding and lasting results for their organization. To get there a leader must know who you are and what matters most to you.

Speaker
Harry M. Kraemer, Clinical Professor of Strategy, Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management, Evanston, IL

10–10:15 a.m. | Break

10:15–11:15 a.m.
“Legal, We Have a Problem”: Lessons in Corporate Crisis Management
What do you do when your company finds itself portrayed negatively on the front page of the Wall Street Journal? This panel will discuss what executives should do to prepare for, handle, and mitigate significant corporate crises—scandals, cyberbreaches, government investigations, and product safety issues.

Moderator
D. Cameron Findlay, SVP, GC, and Secretary, Archer Daniels Midland Company, Chicago

Panelists
Timothy R. Baer, Retired EVP and Chief Legal Officer, Target Corporation, Minneapolis, MN
David G. Leitch, Global GC, Bank of America, Charlotte, NC
Debbie Miller, Managing Director, Sard Verbinnen & Co., Chicago

11:20 a.m.–12:20 p.m.
The Business of Law: The Changing Economic Landscape
• The changing law firm economics and the implications on in-house practice.
• What current structures predominate within law firms and how does each impact service?
• How are these structures likely to change with disruption?
• What is the impact of change on the quality of legal services, the cost of legal services and the market for legal talent?

Moderator
John L. Howard, SVP and General Counsel, W.W. Grainger, Inc., Lake Forest, IL

Panelists
Susan Hackett, CEO, Legal Executive Leadership, LLC, Chevy Chase, MD
Leveraging the insights of law department leaders who have recently completed large transactions (e.g., a big acquisition, divestiture, and spin-offs), learn about the key things they wish they had known at the time—and might do differently next time.
NOTE: This session will include time for a general roundtable discussion on topics of interest to the participants.

Public Company
Moderator
R. Scott Falk, Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Chicago

Panelists
Chris H. Anderson, Assistant Corporate Secretary and Chief Counsel, Corporate and Securities, The Kraft Heinz Company, Chicago
Suzanne S. Bettman, Chief Administrative Officer & GC, LSC Communications, Inc., Chicago
Michelle M. Warner, SVP, GC, and Corporate Secretary, USG Corporation, Chicago

Private Company
Moderator
Bradley C. Faris, Latham & Watkins LLP, Chicago

Panelists
Christopher G. Athas, VP, GC, and Secretary, Amsted Industries, Chicago
Eric A. Reeves, Managing Director and GC, The Duchossois Group Inc., Elmhurst, IL
Grace Shaff, VP and GC, Reinhart Foodservice, LLC, Chicago
Robert L. Verigan, Managing Director and GC, BDT & Company LLC, Chicago

3 p.m. Program Concludes