



Global Counsel Leaders Circle members and guests gather in Chicago May 18th evening through May 19th for our spring North America conference. Selected multinational in-house legal and compliance leaders in the region are invited to participate as guests. Our themes are:

Leadership through Uncertainty, Change & Opportunity

Using systems and process to improve legal/compliance productivity & performance
Guiding your legal/compliance team to meet today's budget and tomorrow's demands

We're honored to welcome outstanding guest speakers who participate with members in panel and roundtable discussions on hot topics raised in the Global Counsel Leaders Circle's Benchmark 2017. Participants exchange practical experience and insights off-the-record, hear from prominent leaders and subject-matter experts.

May 18, 2017 Thursday 430pm-730pm - Agenda



This session is for Global Counsel Leaders Circle members and invited senior global legal and compliance leaders in the region. Baker McKenzie will host our meeting in their offices at: 300 East Randolph St., 50th Floor, Chicago 60601.

- 430pm Registration, networking, refreshments
- 450pm Opening and Introductions
- 500pm Digital delivery of corporate legal/compliance services:
What's your plan?
Many global legal/compliance teams need a clearer vision for digitalization. What steps do you take to get there? Global Counsel Leaders Circle members rate their own functions poorly for use of IT tools to enhance performance. We'll discuss setting priorities and staying on track as you lead your function into the future. Our stellar panel will present examples of how global in-house legal/compliance functions are advancing with digital delivery, and lessons learned on the journey.
Panel: Oscar Romero, General Counsel, Bridgestone Firestone CNA; Stephanie Corey and Jon Hoak, founding partners, UpLevelOps; Theo Ling, partner, Baker McKenzie
- 630pm Closing remarks and reception
- 730pm Dinner - Global Counsel Leaders Circle members and hosts



May 19, 2017 Friday 800am-345pm

Global Counsel Leaders Circle members/confirmed guests only, offices of Baker McKenzie:
300 East Randolph Street, 50th floor, Chicago 60601

800am **Arrival & Registration** - Continental breakfast

830am **Members Exchange**

In the Global Counsel Leaders Circle tradition, we welcome new members and have updates from current members on objectives and priorities in their legal or compliance functions. Please bring questions and thoughts to bounce off your peers.

915am **Improving Contracts: What's Working and How**

This session will discuss: What's working to upgrade contract management and the contracting systems that support them? Right-sourcing contract management: can it work, does it always require lawyers, and what's involved? Structure, roles and responsibilities in contract centers of excellence—challenges and opportunities.

Discussion leaders: Kate Collins, GC, International, Abbott Labs; Michael Hatfield, Chief Counsel, Global Business Services, Mondelēz Global; Peter George, Partner, Baker McKenzie.

1045am **Break**

1100am **Leadership for Legal/Compliance Chiefs: Managing Change, Dealing with Uncertainty, Improving the Function's Performance**

Insights from the leader of legal, compliance and corporate affairs at a premier global enterprise, followed by moderated Q&A. Chad Jerdee will give examples from his experience leading transformational change across a global legal/compliance/government relations function. He'll also talk about driving the team's skill improvement to align with Accenture's aggressive growth goals.

Speaker: Chad Jerdee, Group General Counsel, Accenture

1215pm **Lunch and Leaders Circle Benchmark 2017 Discussion**

Key findings from detailed benchmarking in 7 categories, completed by legal and compliance chiefs in 28 global corporate legal/compliance functions. Moderated roundtable discussion. Lunch 1215-1245, then 45 minutes for Benchmark.

Co-discussion leaders: Leigh Dance, Exec Director, Global Counsel Leaders Circle; Alexia Maas, Global General Counsel, Volvo Financial Services

130pm **EU Minus UK roundtable debrief, Brussels 3/22 + member exchange**



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2:15pm The Global Counsel Leaders role in Improving CyberSecurity

What is global corporate best-practice for reducing data breach, and how can the GC contribute value? Steps for dealing with unclear accountability in your company re Cyber issues, prioritizing risks, ensuring preparedness, and providing the right info to satisfy Boards and better educate them on this key digital-age risk.

Discussion leaders: David Lashway, Head of Cybersecurity practice, Baker McKenzie and Dennis Garcia, Assistant General Counsel, Microsoft

315pm Key take-aways for each session, closing questions, feedback

345pm US spring conference ends

About the Global Counsel Leaders Circle

The [Global Counsel Leaders Circle](#) is an exclusive group of high-level corporate counsel in international roles. There are currently members from 3 continents and 13 countries. The Leaders Circle offers substantive exchange among talented in-house counsel leaders worldwide on issues of importance in their international roles. Conferences take place annually on two continents and members have frequent exchange through webinars, a help hotline, benchmarking, online briefings and research. To inquire about membership, contact Executive Director Leigh Dance at eldance@GCLeadersCircle.org

About our host:



Baker McKenzie helps clients overcome the challenges of competing in the global economy. We solve complex legal problems across borders and practice areas. Our unique culture, developed over 65 years, enables our 13,000 people to understand local markets and navigate multiple jurisdictions, working together as trusted colleagues and friends to instill confidence in our clients.

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