

Corporate Law and Governance

Overview

Carlton Fields' corporate practice offers comprehensive business counseling, representing companies of all sizes and at every stage in their life cycle. We provide legal services to public and privately held corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, and other forms of business organizations. Our clients are involved in virtually every sector of the economy.

Our general corporate law services include:

- Assisting with entity formation (e.g., choice of entity and state of organization, entity formation documents).
- Structuring boards of directors and managers (e.g., election and appointment of directors and managers, staggered boards, and cumulative voting issues).
- Advising on and preparing basic corporate documents (e.g., employment agreements; nondisclosure and confidentiality agreements; IP assignments; director and employee equity incentive plans).
- Advising on and preparing documents related to corporate action approval procedures; and extraordinary corporate transactions such as stock dividends and splits, redemptions, reorganizations, acquisitions, and dispositions; and dissenters' rights.

We also provide a full range of corporate governance services. These include advising boards of directors on a variety of issues such as their fiduciary duties; helping companies review and revise organizational documents; working with clients, especially public companies, to prepare committee structures and charters; advising public companies on the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; director confidentiality policies; director and executive indemnification agreements; and structuring defensive mechanisms, including so-called poison pill plans.

Insights

02.20.2024

Best Practices for Officers, Directors, and Advisers Navigating Fiduciary Challenges Amid Economic Uncertainty

08.24.2022

Takeaways for Broker-Dealers After SEC's Reg BI Action

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The Corporate Transparency Act: What You Need to Know Pending FinCen Regulations

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06.23.2017

Summary Judgment for Insurer in Annuity Sales Practices Action

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Recent Ninth Circuit Rulings Uphold Plaintiffs' Efforts to Predicate Claims on Alleged Insurance Code Violations — Likely More to Come

03.08.2017

Leasing Retail Stores in New York City

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China Tightens Regulations on Investing Insurance Funds in Shares of Listed Companies

04.01.2015

Recent Developments in Business and Corporate Litigation

03.25.2013

Annual Review of Developments in Business and Corporate Litigation

03.01.2012

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06.12.2003

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