

AMERICA'S **BEST** CORPORATE LAW FIRMS

In the 2012 "Law in the Boardroom" survey from Corporate Board Member and FTI Consulting, directors of U.S. public companies selected the law firms they most admire. The 25 national leaders are listed below, with **Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati** in fifteenth place.

TOP 25 NATIONAL LAW FIRMS DIRECTORS' RANKINGS

- 1 SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM**, NEW YORK (LAST YEAR'S RANKING: 1)
- 2 CRAVATH, SWAINE & MOORE**, NEW YORK (2)
- 3 WACHTELL, LIPTON, ROSEN & KATZ**, NEW YORK (3)
- 4 JONES DAY**, WASHINGTON, D.C. (5)
- 5 SULLIVAN & CROMWELL**, NEW YORK (4)
- 6 WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES**, NEW YORK (6)
- 7 BAKER & MCKENZIE**, CHICAGO (7)
- 8 LATHAM & WATKINS**, LOS ANGELES (15)
- 9 KIRKLAND & ELLIS**, CHICAGO (9)
- 10 GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER**, LOS ANGELES (11)
- 11 PAUL, WEISS, RIFKIND, WHARTON & GARRISON**, NEW YORK (8)
- 12 DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL**, NEW YORK (10)
- 13 FULBRIGHT & JAWORSKI**, HOUSTON (12)
- 14 SIDLEY AUSTIN**, NEW YORK (18)
- 15 WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI**, PALO ALTO (14)
- 16 SHEARMAN & STERLING**, NEW YORK (13)
- 17 SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT**, NEW YORK (16)
- 18 ARNOLD & PORTER**, WASHINGTON, D.C. (-)
- 19 AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD**, WASHINGTON, D.C. (17)
- 20 BAKER BOTTS**, HOUSTON (25)
- 21 MORRISON & FOERSTER**, SAN FRANCISCO (-)
- 22 KING & SPALDING**, ATLANTA (24)
- 23 O'MELVENY & MYERS**, LOS ANGELES (23)
- 24 FRIED, FRANK, HARRIS, SHRIVER & JACOBSON**, NEW YORK (19)
- 25 WHITE & CASE**, NEW YORK (-)

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These 25 firms were voted on by general counsel from U.S. public companies in the Corporate Board Member/FTI Consulting 2012 "Law in the Boardroom" survey as the national firms they would most likely retain for a variety of legal matters. Hats off to each of these top-drawer firms, many of which continue to gain the respect of their peers in the legal community year in and year out.

Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati ranked No. 1 in the San Francisco metropolitan area, as selected by local directors and general counsel.

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TOP 25 NATIONAL FIRMS GENERAL COUNSEL'S RANKINGS

1	SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM , NEW YORK (1) <small>LAST YEAR'S RANKING</small>
2	WACHTELL, LIPTON, ROSEN & KATZ , NEW YORK (2)
3	CRAVATH, SWAINE & MOORE , NEW YORK (3)
4	LATHAM & WATKINS , LOS ANGELES (4)
5	JONES DAY , WASHINGTON, D.C. (12)
6	SULLIVAN & CROMWELL , NEW YORK (10)
7	DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL , NEW YORK (6)
8	WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES , NEW YORK (7)
9	SIDLEY AUSTIN , NEW YORK (8)
10	KIRKLAND & ELLIS , CHICAGO (9)
11	BAKER & MCKENZIE , CHICAGO (13)
12	SIMPSON THACHER & BARTLETT , NEW YORK (11)
13	GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER , LOS ANGELES (5)
14	DLA PIPER , NEW YORK (16)
15	SHEARMAN & STERLING , NEW YORK (19)
16	K&L GATES , PITTSBURGH (-)
17	COVINGTON & BURLING , WASHINGTON, D.C. (15)
18	MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS , PHILADELPHIA (24)
19	FULBRIGHT & JAWORSKI , HOUSTON (25)
20	WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI , PALO ALTO (22)
21	ARNOLD & PORTER , WASHINGTON, DC (-)
22	MAYER BROWN , CHICAGO (-)
23	CLEARY GOTTlieb STEEN & HAMILTON , NEW YORK (14)
24	HOGAN LOVELLS , WASHINGTON, D.C. (17)
25	AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD , WASHINGTON, D.C. (23)

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