Google Self-Driving Car Project Gets First GC as Scrutiny Rises

News

The hiring comes at a critical time as Google aims to commercialize self-driving cars by 2020. With a CEO and a director already in place, a chief lawyer has been a missing piece.

Trends in New Business Entities: 30 Years of Data

Insight

Limited Liability Companies, or LLCs, are now the most popular legal entity for organizing businesses in the United States, according to a new report issued by Berkman Solutions.

Business Litigation in California: Perplexing, Downright Exasperating

Insight

Archer Norris published its second annual California Business

Litigation Report, revealing that corporate lawyers continue to view many aspects of California's business environment as perplexing, downright exasperating, and in many ways more challenging than other states.

Special Report on Business Ethics: Enhancing Corporate Governance

Article

Knowledge@Wharton and AKO Foundation have published the first of four reports designed to explore how firms can enhance their understanding and implementation of corporate governance.

Drugs in the Workplace: Tread Lightly, Navigate Carefully

Article

FisherBroyles offers a warning for employers dealing with an employee who is doing – or is suspected of doing – illegal drugs: You could be facing large legal fees, company embarrassment, and major diversion of management time. But an employer can take some steps to avoid big problems.

A Better D&O Questionnaire – Learn How

White Paper

The Center for Board Excellence is offering a free whitepaper that describes moving the directors and officers questionnaire process to a dynamic online system.

Foley Boosts Corporate Practice in Chicago

News

Foley & Lardner LLP announced that Lou Cohen and Elgie Sims Jr. have joined the firm's Business Law Department as of counsel in the Chicago office.

Corporate Counsel Training Academy 'Bootcamp' Set for June 16-17

Event, June 16-17

The IADC will present its Corporate Counsel Training Academy

June 16-17 at Georgetown Law Center in Washington, D.C. The program will provide practical training for junior in-house counsel and those who are planning a transition to a corporate legal department.

Top Hourly Rates for Some BigLaw Partners Have Reached $2K, Survey Finds

News

Some U.S. companies are now paying a top hourly rate of $2,000 to partners at the country's biggest law firms, according to a report on a survey released by BTI Consulting Group.

Big Law Business Diversity & Inclusion: In-House Counsel Call to Action (Live NY Conference)

Event, May 3, 2:30 p.m. EDT

Bloomberg BNA will present a live conference titled Big Law Business Diversity & Inclusion Conference: A Call to Action, focusing on chief legal counsel and their corporate senior diversity officers as well as law firm managing partners.

Former Reading Int’l GC Joins Akerman Los Angeles Office

News

Veteran real estate lawyer William “Bill” Ellis has joined Akerman LLP’s Los Angeles office as a partner in the Real Estate Practice Group.

Corporate Compliance in Health Care – Governance Oversight Change is Needed

Article

Corporate compliance could be in for some changes in 2016, based upon the events of 2015, forecasting increased self-policing, personal accountability for leaders, and physician arrangements as the top risk areas.

Download: Strengthening

Compliance and Ethics Oversight

White Paper

New U.S. Department of Justice emphasis on the effectiveness of compliance and ethics programs in preventing, detecting, and mitigating the risk of individual wrongdoing is raising the bar for companies' compliance efforts.

Practical Tips for Using Outside Counsel Guidelines

Article

Outside counsel guidelines provide a great opportunity for legal departments to hone in on what processes need to be communicated to external law firms as well as helping to drive adoption of the processes, both internally and externally. Here are some practical tips for developing or fine tuning these documents.

What Lawyers Can Bring to the Governance Structure

Article

Boards of directors have traditionally been the bastions of

CEOs, where business experience was paramount. But modern challenges to corporations suggest business-oriented attorneys – particularly those with GC experience – provide essential value and perspective

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Thomson Reuters Introduces Practice Point

NEWS

Thomson Reuters has unveiled Practice Point, which it calls "an innovative solution that delivers the most relevant content and tools for a given task or legal issue."

2015 Corporate Governance & Executive Compensation Survey

White Paper

The analysis provides insights into how companies approach governance issues and will allow readers to benchmark their companies' corporate governance practices.

Mitratech recognizes Elevate as a Certified Partner for Legal Invoice Review Services

NEWS

Mitratech, a provider of Enterprise Legal Management (ELM) solutions, has recognized legal service provider Elevate as a Certified Partner to offer legal bill review services to Mitratech's fast-growing client base.

2016 Corporate Legal Ops – Recommind Survey Results

White Paper

Ari Kaplan Advisors presents the benchmark 2015 Corporate Legal Operations Survey (sponsored by Recommind), what key corporate legal operations leaders are doing (and not yet doing) to optimize visibility, security, and efficiency.

A Cheerful Guide to Legal Risk

White PaperThe effort to measure and manage legal risk pays dividends in the reduction of real losses from legal issues and also pays dividends through improved collaboration between

the legal team, operations, and senior management.