

# Stout Expands Legal Management Consulting Practice

Stout today announced the addition of Ellen Kuplic as a Director in the Legal Management Consulting practice. Based in Chicago, Kuplic brings over 25 years of legal experience developing, implementing, and managing a wide variety of programs and processes that achieve efficiencies, cost savings, risk mitigation, and modernization.

Prior to joining Stout, Kuplic held many in-house roles at bp serving as a trusted advisor to general counsel, senior attorneys, and other stakeholders, including Global Legal Operations Manager, Director of Legal Learning, Discovery Coordinator, and Senior Litigation Paralegal. As a visionary leader who is relentless in her commitment to transform operations, she led the development of a long-term legal technology roadmap, implemented tools to monitor and manage internal and external costs, created preferred vendor programs including a robust law firm panel program, introduced standardization with the adoption of systems and technology, and rolled out new workflows to create process simplification across departments.

Stout's Legal Management Consulting team assists corporate counsel and law firms in managing their business. They work side-by-side with legal organizations, their IT and business partners, and third-party providers to contain risk and cost through process improvement, efficient data management, and technology usage.