

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO SCHOOL OF LAW

THE ART OF IN-HOUSE LEGAL COUNSELING

Spring Semester 2012

Assignment for First Class (January 23, 2012)

Register on TWEN. Please register for the class on TWEN. Class assignments and materials for the class will be posted on TWEN from time to time.

Text Book. None

Assignment for First Class. Prior to the first class, identify a current general counsel or other in-house attorney at a business organization and prepare a profile of such corporate counsel for presentation at our first class. Please memorialize the results of your research in a powerpoint slide presentation (no more than two black and white slides, excluding any cover page) and send the presentation slides to me via the TWEN Assignment Drop Box before Noon on January 23.

The profile, without limitation, should include the following information: (a) the counsel's name, (b) the name of the counsel's company or organization, (c) the counsel's title, (d) the counsel's educational background, (e) the counsel's career history and the counsel's tenure and past positions with his/her company or organization, (f) the counsel's historic areas of practice specialization, (g) the size and structure of the legal function within the counsel's company or organization, (h) the counsel's reporting relationships, (i) the counsel's philosophy of the role of in-house counsel and corporate counsel's relationship to corporate management and outside counsel, (j) the most significant legal challenges of the counsel's company or organization, and (k) anything else that you find interesting or unique about the counsel or the counsel's practice or his/her role in his/her organization.

Be creative in developing your profile. If you know a general counsel or other in-house lawyer, interview him or her. If not, research magazines and newspapers, legal periodicals, the SEC database, etc. Gather information from multiple sources. If, after you have tried, you find that you need help, contact me (r.z.slaughter@gmail.com).

In order to avoid duplication of profiles, please identify the name of the counsel that you have chosen to profile and the name of the counsel's organization by replying to my post on the course's Discussion Forum on TWEN. If, when you review the posts on the Discussion Forum, you discover that someone else has already selected the counsel that you intend to profile, please select a different counsel.