

## Corporate Governance

As corporate and benefits counsel to many public and private companies and not-for-profit organizations, Krieg Devault lawyers advise boards of directors and executive officers on the most sensitive corporate governance issues. We know the right questions to ask and the right standards to recommend to be implemented so that the boards of directors and executive officers of our clients understand their fiduciary duties in mergers and acquisitions, control and proxy controversies, shareholder relations, executive compensation and regulatory compliance.

We understand the evolving requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley, Foreign Corrupt Practices and Dodd-Frank Acts, stock exchange listing requirements and case law and their implications on governance. We advise our clients in the review, development and implementation of ethics and compliance programs designed to prevent and detect violations of law. If allegations of questionable financial or regulatory conduct arise, our cross-disciplinary team of securities and litigation attorneys can conduct confidential internal investigations, defend clients in enforcement and related civil actions and recommend remedial action. For required disclosure arising out of governance matters, we counsel public companies on proxy statements, financial reports and other materials filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, stock exchanges and state regulators. All our work recognizes current regulatory and compliance realities, while helping our clients remain competitive and satisfy applicable standards.