

# 2017-2018 Board Education Resource Guide

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Effective board members know that staying current is key to upholding their responsibilities to their shareholders. The good news is that there are numerous educational opportunities for directors offered in a variety of settings: academic campuses, law firm offices, hotel ballrooms in major cities, and of course your personal computer or tablet device.

Woodruff-Sawyer & Co. is pleased to offer this interactive guide that highlights some of the upcoming board education events. The events are organized into five categories: (I) Board Level Multi-Day Events, (II) Committee Level/Subject Matter Events, (III) Short-Shot Events, (IV) Webinars/Webcasts/Podcasts and (V) WS&Co. Customized Programs.

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## I. Board Level Multi-Day Events

## **Corporate Governance: Effectiveness and Accountability in the Boardroom**

November 12–15, 2017 | Evanston, IL April 22–25, 2018 | Evanston, IL November 4–7, 2018 | Evanston, IL

Cost: **\$8,500** (2017) | **\$9,100** (2018)

Kellogg School of Management

www.kellogg.northwestern.edu/execed/programs/director.aspx

## **Making Corporate Boards More Effective**

November 15–18, 2017 | Cambridge, MA July, 2018 | Cambridge, MA

Cost: November: \$9,250 | July: TBD

Harvard Business School's Flagship board program; One of the premier Directors education course in the country.

www.exed.hbs.edu/programs/mcb/Pages/default.aspx

#### **Summit Directors and Officers Conference**

November 30-December 1, 2017 | Park City, UT

Cost: **\$600** 

The annual conference traditionally takes place on the eve of the ski season opening day

www.summitconf.org

### **Board Leadership Forum**

February 6, 2018 | San Francisco, CA April 17, 2018 | Chicago, IL September, 2018 | New York, NY

This is an offering from Equilar.

Cost: **TBD** 

http://www.equilar.com/equilar-events.html

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## I. Board Level Multi-Day Events (continued)

#### **Directors' Consortium**

March 27-30, 2018 | Stanford, CA

This is a joint offering from:

- The University of Chicago Booth School of Business
- · Stanford Graduate School of Business
- Stanford Law School

Cost: \$12,600

https://www.gsb.stanford.edu/exec-ed/programs/directors-consortium

#### **UCLA's Director Education**

April 24–26, 2018 | Los Angeles, CA

Cost: \$8,500

**UCLA Anderson School of Management** 

http://www.anderson.ucla.edu/executive-education/individual-executives/corporate-governance

## **Stanford Directors' College**

June 24-26, 2018 | Stanford, CA

Cost: \$8,450 (register by November 17th for \$1,000 off)

Stanford Law School

One of the premier Director education courses in the country and one of the few that directors often attend multiple times.

If you choose to attend, please ask your Woodruff-Sawyer contact for a discount code.

https://conferences.law.stanford.edu/directorscollege/registration/

## **NACD Board Leadership Conference**

September 29–October 2, 2018 | Washington, DC Cost: **\$5,495** for members

For non-members: \$6,370 for registration + NACD membership; Register by October 31st and save \$2,000 off the regular price

www.nacdonline.org/Conference/content.cfm?ltemNumber=4755

## II. Committee Level/Subject Matter Events

## **Compensation Committee Forum**

November 14, 2017 | San Francisco, CA March 13, 2018 | New York, NY November 13, 2018 | San Francisco, CA

Equilar

Cost: **\$1,995** 

http://www.equilar.com/events/compensation-committee-forum-Nov-2017.html

## **Annual Executive Compensation Summit**

June 4–6, 2018 | San Francisco, CA

Equilar

Cost: TBD

http://www.equilar.com/equilar-events.html

#### **Audit Committees in a New Era of Governance**

July 2018 | Cambridge, MA

Harvard Business School

Cost: TBD

www.exed.hbs.edu/programs/ac/Pages/default.aspx

## **Compensation Committees**

August 2018 | Cambridge, MA

Harvard Business School

Cost: TBD

www.exed.hbs.edu/programs/cc/Pages/default.aspx

## III. Short-Shot Events

A number of organizations offer short, no-cost or low-cost board seminars in convenient locations. While these are usually free and just a few hours long, the quality can vary dramatically.

## **Silicon Valley Directors' Exchange**

Third Thursday of each month

www.svdx.org

## **Stanford University Rock Center for Corporate Governance**

Stanford Law School & Stanford Business School

http://rockcenter.law.stanford.edu/events/

## Forum for Corporate Directors (FCD), local chapter

Orange County's Chapter

www.fcdoc.org/events/upcoming-events

### **National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD)**

Look for your local chapter

www.nacdonline.org

#### **National Law Firms**

(Usually at the office in your area)
Go to your firm's website to sign up or contact your relationship partner.

## IV. Webinars/Podcasts/Blogs

Webinars are usually an hour or less, free, and can be consumed at your computer. If you can't make the actual event, it's worth emailing the organizer to ask about a podcast or other re-play opportunity.

## **The D&O Diary**

www.dandodiary.com

## **D&O Notebook: Directors & Officers Liability Blog**

https://wsandco.com/blog/do-notebook/

## **PwC Center for Board Governance Quarterly Webcast Series**

http://www.pwc.com/us/en/governance-insights-center/director-investor-education.html

## **National Association for Corporate Directors**

https://www.nacdonline.org/Education/content2. cfm?ltemNumber=1777&navItemNumber=3717

#### **Local Law Firms**

## Woodruff-Sawyer's Educational Series

Provides timely updates on D&O Litigation, the insurance market and other topics of current interest.

www.wsandco.com/about-us/news-andevents/seminars-events If you sign up to receive notices, the various organizations offering board programming will send you email alerts about upcoming events.

## V. WS&Co. Customized Programs

Woodruff-Sawyer's D&O Insurance clients are able to access this service at no additional charge. The material is customized for each client and is presented by dynamic, experienced public speakers who are also experts in D&O risk. These presentations are designed to help your organization manage its D&O risk profile more effectively. If helpful, the presentations can be provided in conjunction with in-house or outside counsel.

### Some of the current offerings include:

- The Board's Oversight Role for CyberSecurity Risk Management
- The Perils of Insider Trading and Tipper-Tippee Liability
- M&A Activities and Director Duties
- Am I Covered? An Overview of What D&O Insurance Does and Doesn't Cover

A menu of core as well as current event-driven topics can be provided upon request. Please contact your Woodruff-Sawyer Account Executive or Priya Huskins (phuskins@wsandco.com).

# More Info

To discuss these or any other continuing education opportunities for directors, please contact your Woodruff-Sawyer Account Executive or Priya Huskins (phuskins@wsandco.com).

Board education is an important part of mitigating your risk of personal liability as a board member. Another important element of your risk mitigation strategy is D&O Insurance. Woodruff-Sawyer's Corporate and Executive Protection Group is a leader in the field of D&O insurance. Contact us if you'd like to speak further on this topic.

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