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# 2021 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.

Due to COVID-19, not surprisingly, many events that were originally scheduled to take place in person are now scheduled to take place in a virtual format (often for a reduced price).

Woodruff Sawyer 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) Woodruff Sawyer Customized Programs.

# Event Categories

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- I. Board Level Multi-Day Events
- II. Committee Level/Subject Matter Events
- III. Short-Shot Events
- IV. Webinars/Podcasts/Blogs
- V. Woodruff Sawyer Customized Programs



# I. Board Level Multi-Day Events

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## **Summit Directors and Officers Conference**

December 3–4, 2020 | Virtual

**Cost: \$150**

[www.summitconf.org](http://www.summitconf.org)

## **Boardroom Disruptive Tech Summit**

February 2–3, 2021 | Virtual

Corporate Board Member

**Cost: \$895**; register by November 30 and save \$300

[www.corporateboardmembersummit.com](http://www.corporateboardmembersummit.com)

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

March 1–12, 2021 | Virtual

November 1–4, 2021 | In-person event in Evanston, IL

Kellogg School of Management

**Cost: \$7,650** for March virtual sessions,  
**\$10,550** for November event

[www.kellogg.northwestern.edu](http://www.kellogg.northwestern.edu)

## **Stanford Directors' Consortium**

Details TBD | Virtual

This is a joint offering from:

- Stanford Graduate School of Business
- Stanford Law School

[www.gsb.stanford.edu](http://www.gsb.stanford.edu)

## **UCLA's Director Education**

April 29–May 5, 2021 | Virtual

UCLA Anderson School of Management

**Cost: \$7,500**

[www.anderson.ucla.edu](http://www.anderson.ucla.edu)

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## Stanford Directors' College

June 21–24, 2021 | Virtual

Stanford Law School

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

**Cost: \$5,450** with registration by November 15, 2020, **\$5,950** by March 1, 2021 and **\$6,450** after March 1, 2021

[www.conferences.law.stanford.edu](http://www.conferences.law.stanford.edu)



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

## Making Corporate Boards More Effective

July 14-17, 2021 | In-person event in Boston, MA

Harvard Business School's flagship board program

**Cost: \$10,250**

[www.exed.hbs.edu](http://www.exed.hbs.edu)

## NACD Global Board Leaders' Summit

Details TBD

[www.summit.nacdonline.org](http://www.summit.nacdonline.org)

## II. Committee Level/Subject Matter Events

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### Compensation Committee Forum

Event postponed

Equilar and Nasdaq

For more information please contact [events@Equilar.com](mailto:events@Equilar.com)

### Preparing to Be a Corporate Director (New Program)

March 14–17, 2021 | Virtual

Harvard Business School

Cost: \$5,000

[www.exed.hbs.edu](http://www.exed.hbs.edu)

### Compensation Committees: New Challenges, New Solutions

July 18–20, 2021 | In-person event in Boston, MA

Harvard Business School

Cost: \$6,800

[www.exed.hbs.edu](http://www.exed.hbs.edu)

### Audit Committees in a New Era of Governance

July 21–23, 2021 | In-person event in Boston, MA

Harvard Business School

Cost: \$6,800

[www.exed.hbs.edu](http://www.exed.hbs.edu)

# III. Short-Shot Events

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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**

Check the event calendar

[www.svdx.org](http://www.svdx.org)

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

Stanford Law School & Stanford Business School

[www.law.stanford.edu](http://www.law.stanford.edu)

## **Forum for Corporate Directors (FCD)**

Events in various locations in Southern California

[www.fcdoc.org](http://www.fcdoc.org)

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

Look for your local chapter

[www.nacdonline.org](http://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

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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](http://www.dandodiary.com)

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

[www.woodruffshawyer.com/insights/do-notebook](http://www.woodruffshawyer.com/insights/do-notebook)

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

[www.pwc.com](http://www.pwc.com)

## **National Association of Corporate Directors**

[www.nacdonline.org](http://www.nacdonline.org)

## **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.woodruffshawyer.com/events](http://www.woodruffshawyer.com/events)

\*If you sign up to receive notices, the various organizations offering board programming will send you email alerts about upcoming events.





# V. Woodruff Sawyer Customized Programs

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Woodruff Sawyer's D&O insurance clients can access this service at no additional charge. Presentations are customized for each client and are presented by dynamic, experienced public speakers who are also experts in D&O risk and its mitigation. 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:

- Current D&O Topics and Trends
- The Board's Oversight Role in CyberSecurity Risk Management
- ESG: It's Harder than it Looks
- Don't Let #MeToo Become #WhoMe
- 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 ([priya@woodruff Sawyer.com](mailto:priya@woodruff Sawyer.com)).



# More Information

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To discuss these or any other continuing education opportunities for directors, please contact your Woodruff Sawyer account executive or Priya Huskins ([priya@woodruff Sawyer.com](mailto:priya@woodruff Sawyer.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 Management Liability Group is a leader in the field. Contact us if you'd like to speak further on this topic.

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