

## **The ACC and St. Louis Business Journal Recognize Top In-House Counsel with 2023 Corporate Counsel Awards**

The ACC STL, in collaboration with the St. Louis Business Journal, will honor the outstanding achievements of the region's top in-house counsel through the esteemed "Corporate Counsel Awards." This partnership, spanning over a decade, continues to recognize and celebrate legal excellence within the corporate landscape.

The 2023 Corporate Counsel Awards, presented by the *St. Louis Business Journal*, are designed to showcase the best and brightest legal minds in the region. Acknowledging professionals at various levels of the corporate legal department, these awards encompass in-house generalists, specialists, chief legal officers, and general counsel from nonprofit organizations, as well as public or private companies of all sizes and industries.

This year's award recipients have demonstrated expertise in critical areas such as mergers and acquisitions, compliance, and human resources. As the role of in-house counsel continues to evolve, these honorees have seamlessly integrated themselves into their respective company's overall strategy, exemplifying versatility, and adaptability.

A distinguished panel of ACC STL members, in collaboration with the Business Journal's esteemed editorial team, selected the recipients of the 2023 Corporate Counsel Awards. Through a rigorous evaluation process, the honorees were chosen for their exceptional contributions to the corporate counsel field.

The 2023 Corporate Counsel Award Recipients include:

- **General Counsel of the Year Honoree:** David Schatz, ESCO Technologies, Inc.\*
- **Rising Star Honoree:** Alexandra Faver, CBD Kratom\*
- **Individual Honorees:**
  - Claudine Chastain, World Wide Technology, LLC
  - Beverly Garner, Bunge\*
  - Tamar Hodges, Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals\*
  - Thomas Larson, Anheuser-Busch InBev\*
  - Omar Malik, Edward Jones
  - Jed Penney, Schnuck Markets, Inc.\*
  - Vikas Sunkari, SSM Health\*

*\*Current ACC STL members*

The Association of Corporate Counsel, St. Louis Chapter, extends warm congratulations to each of the 2023 Corporate Counsel award recipients for their leadership in the corporate counsel field and their unwavering commitment to excellence in their careers. The award honorees will be recognized June 15 at a St. Louis Business Journal event. Formal recognition will take place on Thursday, June 15th from 8:00-9:00 a.m. at the Hilton St. Louis Frontenac. Reservations can be made [HERE](#).