

# Ethical Pitfalls of Internal Investigations: Protecting Your Company and Yourself

Seminar April 26, 2012 | 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Garvey Schubert Barer, Portland, OR

Internal corporate investigations have become commonplace. Lawyers play a pivotal yet precarious role. They must be able to identify risks and be prepared to remedy potential problems for their company learned during the investigation, and at the same time protect themselves. Understanding how and when to conduct effective internal investigations is paramount to protecting the company, its officers and directors. Correct and careful execution of an internal investigation will protect your company and yourself from obstruction of justice charges, retaliation complaints, allegations of ethical misconduct or lawsuits that may arise from mishandling it.

This program will outline the ethical considerations legal counsel face when handling internal investigations. You will hear the war stories from in-house counsel who have successfully endured investigations and experienced attorneys who have conducted internal investigations. We'll cover:

Considerations at the outset: nature and scope of the investigation

Duty of corporations to conduct internal investigations

Hazards of Joint Representations

Analysis of Applicable Ethical Rules

"Upjohn" Warnings

Lessons of the "Ruehle" case

Waiver of Attorney Client Privilege

Expectations of the government when evaluating the results of an investigation

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Attendance fee of \$20 per person payable in advance by check to Oregon ACC or by cash at the door.

### Location:

Garvey Schubert Barer Bank of America Financial Center 121 SW Morrison Street, 11th Floor Portland, OR 97204-3141

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# **Program Schedule:**

4:00 p.m. – Registration4:15 p.m. – Program Starts6:00 p.m. – Reception hosted by Garvey Schubert Barer

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