Cooley

Liz Dunshee

Senior Strategic Advisor, Capital Markets and Corporate Governance



ldunshee@cooley.com

+1 312 881 6456

Chicago

Corporate Governance and Securities Regulation
Capital Markets
Mergers and Acquisitions
ESG and Sustainability Advisory
CooleyREG
Securities Litigation + Enforcement

Liz is a trusted industry leader for executives, boards of directors and those who advise them. She brings nearly 20 years of experience in corporate and securities law, executive compensation and investor developments. As a senior strategic advisor at Cooley, Liz helps identify the latest issues affecting public and late-stage private companies, so that Cooley clients receive practical guidance that is both forward-looking and grounded in business realities.

Over the course of her career, Liz has counseled boards, executives, chief legal officers, corporate secretaries and compliance personnel on the full range of securities law and corporate matters, including sensitive board matters, Securities and Exchange Commission and stock exchange-based disclosure issues, stock exchange listing compliance, investor communication and voting trends, insider trading and Rule 10b5-1 plans, executive compensation issues and executive succession matters. Additionally, she has helped companies prepare to go public, navigate public and private offerings of equity and debt, implement activism defense measures, respond to shareholder proposals, and manage board and committee roles and procedures.

In addition, Liz serves as a senior editor for TheCorporateCounsel.net, CompensationStandards.com and other CCRcorp resources. Through CCRcorp, Liz provides practical guidance to 88% of the publicly held Fortune 100, 90% of the Am Law 100, and countless smaller and mid-sized companies and firms. In her prior role as managing editor at CCRcorp, Liz played a key role in improving a variety of corporate metrics, and she incorporates this business perspective in providing strategic legal and compliance insights. Liz is a frequent author and speaker on securities and corporate law topics, with articles appearing in publications such as Bloomberg Law, Business Law Today, Law360, The Corporate Board and The Corporate Governance Advisor.

Education

University of Iowa College of Law JD, Order of the Coif, 2006

University of Northern Iowa BA, summa cum laude, Purple & Old Gold Award, 2003

Admissions & Credentials

Minnesota

Rankings & Accolades

Best Lawyers in America – Corporate Law (2025)

Memberships & Affiliations

American College of Governance Counsel, fellow (admitted 2021)

TheCorporateCounsel.net and CompensationStandards.com, senior editor

Society for Corporate Governance, Twin Cities Chapter officer and advisory committee, 2019 –present

American Bar Association, Business Law Section