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## LCLD Fellows Program Leadership Lunch: *Sidley Austin and Towers Watson*

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### Speakers:

Kirkland L. Hicks, Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary of Towers Watson

Carter G. Phillips, Partner and Executive Committee Chair,

Former Managing Partner of Washington, D.C. Office, Sidley Austin LLP



**KIRKLAND L. HICKS**, Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary, is responsible for all legal matters at Towers Watson. He was appointed to his current position in November 2012.

Prior to his current appointment, Hicks served as managing counsel for commercial legal activities for Towers Watson's Americas region. In that role, he had responsibility for mergers and acquisitions, commercial operations, and corporate transactions across North and Latin America.

Previously, he served as senior counsel and head of commercial law at Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc., with worldwide responsibility for mergers and acquisitions, commercial operations, and corporate transactions. Prior to working at Watson Wyatt, Hicks was an attorney with major law firms. He has a J.D. from Duke University School of Law, where he serves on the Board of Visitors, and a B.S. in Computer Science from North Carolina A&T State University. Hicks has also completed an executive leadership program at Harvard Business School. He is a member of the Conference Board Council of Chief Legal Officers; the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity; the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia (corporate counsel) bars; and the American Corporate Counsel Association.



**CARTER G. PHILLIPS** is the Chairman of the Executive Committee of Sidley Austin LLP, and is a member of the firm's Management Committee. Phillips was the Managing Partner of the firm's Washington, D.C. office from 1995 to 2012. He served as a law clerk to both Judge Robert Sprecher on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit and Chief Justice Warren E. Burger on the United States Supreme Court. Phillips served as Assistant to the Solicitor General and argued 9 cases on behalf of the federal government in the United States Supreme Court. Since joining Sidley, Phillips has argued 67 cases in the Supreme Court; his 76 arguments before that Court are the most of any lawyer currently in private practice. Phillips also has argued more than 100 cases in the federal courts of appeals.

Phillips was named to *The National Law Journal* 2013 list of The 100 Most Influential Lawyers in America. He was also named one of the 2012 Lawyers of the Year in the area of Litigation—Regulatory Enforcement by *Best Lawyers*. He has been listed in the top 10 among *Super Lawyers* magazine's Top 100 lawyers in Washington, from 2007-2013 based on a vote of peers, and also earned a spot on the *Law360* list of Appellate MVPs that year. Phillips was honored as one of "The Decade's Most Influential Lawyers" in 2010 by *The National Law Journal*. Recognized as one of the lawyers who has "defined a decade" with "a reputation as the point man for high-level appellate cases," his practice has been featured in articles in *The American Lawyer*, *Businessweek*, *LegalTimes*, *The National Law Journal*, *USA Today*, and *Legal Business* (a publication in England).

Phillips is a member of the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers, the American Law Institute, and is a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers. He serves on the Board of Governors of the Federal Circuit Bar Association and the Board of Trustees of the Supreme Court Historical Society. He also serves on the Advisory Committee of Georgetown University Law Center's Supreme Court Institute, The Ohio State University Foundation Board of Directors, the Dean's Advisory Council of the University of California, Irvine School of Law, and is adjunct professor of law at Northwestern University School of Law, teaching a clinic seminar on the Supreme Court.