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The 15th annual General Counsel Awards will be presented at a gala dinner celebration for GC's who have made a significant contribution to the success of their companies.

Public Companies

First American Financial Corporation / Lisa Cornehl
LANVIN Group / Christina Zabat-Fran
SmartStop Self Storage REIT, Inc. / Nicholas Look
Tarsus Pharmaceuticals Inc. / Bryan Wahl
The Habit Burger Grill / Jason Oviatt

Private Companies

Allied Universal / Loretta Cecil
Alpha Motor Corporation / Jada (SoYun) Lee
Avid Bioservices Inc. / Mark Ziebell
California Pizza Kitchen, Inc. / Kendall Jones
Caylent Inc. / Lisa Cohrs
First Team Real Estate / Hila Pooli
Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian / Eric Cheung
MBK Real Estate Companies / Anita Hsu
MSI / Monica Johnson
Olen Properties / Julie Ault-Snyder
P&P Imports LLC / Casey Kempner
PACSUN / Mark Harrington
Petalfast Inc. / Arun Kurichety
Prospera Hotels / Wendy Huang
Stratus Financial, LLC / Don Ho
SUPER73, Inc. / Joseph Geisman
Ushio America Inc. / Ako Shimada
Word & Brown General Agency / Word & Brown Insurance Administrators, Inc. / Jeffrey (Jeff) Compangano, Esq.

Specialty Counsels

Clean Energy Fuels Corp. / Katie Klein
Ducommun Incorporated / Rajiv Tata
Pacific Life Insurance Co. / Joseph Tortorelli
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. / Kristin Godeke

Rising Stars

ECOS / Somath Hasina-Cabrales
loanDepot.com, LLC / Edgar Martinez
Medtronic / Mark Blake
Orange County Department of Education/Orange County Board of Education / Greg Rolan
Pacific Life Insurance Co. / Alison Ryan
Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino Counties / Ramona Thomas
Sandisk Corporation (NASDAQ: SNDK) / Jae Park
St. George & Carnegie: Nautilus Global Solutions LLC / Ardelle St. George
Terumo Neuro / Laura Vega
Willow Innovations / Scott Becker

Lifetime Achievement

Alteryx Inc. / Christopher Lal
Golden State Foods / John E. Page, Esq.
Hydracial LLC / Paul Bokota
Smile Brands Inc. / Victoria Harvey

Dinner Gala & Awards Program

November 6, 2025
 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
 Irvine Marriott
 *Tickets: \$325 /
 Table for 10: \$3100



Reservation Information

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