

MCLE New England: How to Conduct Efficient, Effective Internal Corporate Investigations

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A compliance officer receives an anonymous tip alleging that the company's safety test results for a top-selling product have been falsified. A disgruntled employee complains to HR that he is being penalized for refusing to bribe foreign officials as do his counterparts. The GC receives a grand jury subpoena requiring the company to produce all documents related to a financial transaction that occurred years ago. The FBI executes a search warrant at your place of business. Companies confront these scenarios far too often. Knowing how best to respond to them, and investigate them efficiently and effectively is critical.

This workshop provides a practical step-by-step guide for conducting every phase of an internal investigation, highlighting key decision points. Corporate officers and directors, who face ever increasing compliance burdens and scrutiny from regulators, prosecutors and plaintiffs' counsel, must know currently accepted measures to avoid or limit risks for their companies, shareholders and themselves. Familiarity with new legislation, evolving government agency standards, and guidance about voluntary disclosure is but a small part of public and privately-held companies' needs for assessing the conduct of officers, directors, employees and contractors. Whether the issue involves whistleblowers, audits, financial and data integrity, immigration, employee activities or international commerce, corporate internal investigations have become a critical tool in guiding difficult business, legal and ethical decisions.

WilmerHale Partner Emily Schulman, who serves as chair, will open the workshop with welcoming remarks and an introduction to the program.

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