

Guest Panelist Biographies



Peter Carter
Delta Air Lines, Inc.
Executive Vice President, Chief
Legal Officer & Corporate
Secretary
Atlanta, Georgia

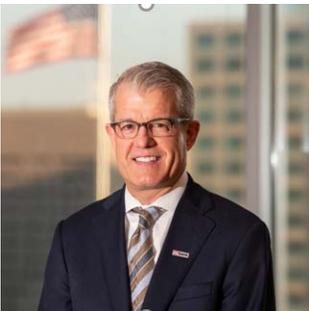
Peter Carter has served as Delta's Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary since July 2015. As Chief Legal Officer, Peter oversees Delta's legal, compliance and government affairs groups worldwide and serves on the Delta Leadership Committee.

Peter has worked to protect Delta's freedom to operate by advocating against market distortive subsidies in the industry to ensure fair and open skies. He regularly engages with government stakeholders in the U.S., Mexico, Korea, U.K., China, and the E.U. on matters relating to competition policy, alliances, privacy and compliance.

Before joining Delta, Peter was a partner at the international law firm of Dorsey & Whitney LLP. He chaired the firm's Policy Committee and the Securities Litigation and Enforcement practice group. He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and has been recognized by numerous organizations and publications including being honored with a Burton Award for public interest, and being named one of the Best Lawyers in America for Bet-the-Company and Commercial Litigation, one of "America's Leading Business Lawyers" by Chambers USA, and Antitrust Lawyer of the year in 2013 by Best Lawyers in America.

Before joining Dorsey, Peter clerked for Judge James B. Loken at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.

Peter serves as a member of the Boards of the Delta Air Lines Foundation, the Alliance Theater, the Chick Fil-A Foundation, The United Way of Greater Atlanta, and the Georgia Chamber of Commerce. He was also appointed by Gov. Nathan Deal to serve on the State of Georgia Judicial Selection Commission.



James L. Chosy
U.S. Bancorp
Senior Executive Vice President
and General Counsel
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Jim Chosy is Senior Executive Vice President and General Counsel of U.S. Bancorp, the parent company of U.S. Bank, the fifth largest commercial bank in the United States. Chosy is responsible for all aspects of the company's legal affairs.

Chosy rejoined U.S. Bancorp in 2013 from Piper Jaffray Companies, a middle-market investment bank and asset management firm. He had served as Managing Director, General Counsel and Secretary of Piper Jaffray since March 2001. Prior to joining Piper Jaffray in 2001, he was Associate General Counsel and Secretary of U.S. Bancorp. He first joined U.S. Bancorp (then First Bank System) in 1995, having begun his legal career with the law firm of Dorsey & Whitney in Minneapolis.

Chosy is a member of the board of directors of the Guthrie Theater and the Fund for Legal Aid, the board of counselors of Equal Justice Works, the general counsel advisory committee of the Bank Policy Institute, and the corporate advisory panel of the Federal Bar Association's special task force on diversity and inclusion. He is also a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a member of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity. He has previously served as a member and chair of the board of directors of the Clearing House Association, the University of Minnesota Law School and the Children's Theater Company. In 2012, he received the University of Minnesota's Alumni Service Award, in 2019 the Lead by Example Award from the National Association of Women Lawyers, and in 2020 the In-House Counsel Lifetime Achievement Award from Minnesota Lawyer. He received his J.D. degree magna cum laude from the University of Minnesota in 1989, where he served as an editor of the Minnesota Law Review. He is also a 1986 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison.



John L. Hick

Faculty Emergency Physician
Hennepin County Medical Center
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Professor of Emergency Medicine
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John L. Hick is a faculty emergency physician at Hennepin County Medical Center (HCMC) and a Professor of Emergency Medicine at the University of Minnesota Medical School. He serves as the Associate Medical Director for Hennepin County Emergency Medical Services and Medical Director for Emergency Preparedness at HCMC. He is also Assistant Medical Director and Vice Chair of the Clinical Council for LifeLink III.

He served the Minnesota Department of Health as the Medical Director for the Office of Emergency Preparedness from 2002-2014 and currently works part-time for US Health and Human Services (HHS/ASPR) as an Advisor to the Director of the Office of Emergency Management.

He is an expert on hospital preparedness and crisis medical care issues and has published over fifty peer-reviewed papers dealing with hospital preparedness for contaminated casualties, disaster standards of care, and surge capacity.

John also has a strong interest in rotor-wing and fixed wing medical care and worked in 1998 for the Royal Flying Doctors Service in rural Queensland, Australia performing fixed-wing retrievals across a large area of outback Australia from the Mt. Isa base. He returned to Australia for six months in 2012 to work as a retrieval physician for the New South Wales helicopter service performing rescue and inter-facility responses.

In his spare time, he practices disaster mitigation, response, and recovery at home with his two daughters ages 14 and 17.



Shayne O'Reilly

Associate General Counsel, IP
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Shayne O'Reilly is Associate General Counsel for IP Litigation at Facebook, Inc. where he manages domestic and international intellectual property litigation matters. Prior to joining Facebook, Shayne worked for Kilpatrick, Townsend & Stockton LLP where his practice focused on patent litigation, client counseling, technology transactions, due diligence investigations, and post grant review work. Outside of work, Shayne enjoys working with non-profit organizations and serves on the Board of The Ron Clark Academy and the Silicon Valley Urban Debate League. Shayne has received the Silicon Valley Business Journal 40 under 40 award, MCCA Rising Star award, and National Bar Association Diversity in Tech award. Shayne is a registered patent attorney. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from North Carolina A&T State University and his Juris Doctor from the UNC at Chapel Hill School of Law.



Elizabeth Truesdell Smith
Allina Health
Senior Vice President, General
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Allina Health Board of Directors
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Elizabeth Truesdell Smith is senior vice president, general counsel and secretary to the Allina Health Board of Directors. Truesdell Smith has been practicing law for 22 years and has served as in-house counsel for Allina Health since December 2000. As general counsel, Truesdell Smith serves on the Executive Leadership Team and is the chief legal advisor to the health system and all of its operating units, subsidiaries, employees, boards and constituents. She also is the senior executive responsible for clinical and enterprise risk management, insurance and emergency preparedness.

Prior to her appointment as general counsel, she held the position of vice president of the Allina Health Law Department medical-legal team where she focused her leadership and practice on the oversight and management of professional liability matters, patient care related advice and counsel, medical staff and privileging matters, corporate and clinical regulatory matters, clinical risk management and litigation arising out of patient care delivery disputes. Before joining Allina Health, Truesdell Smith practiced as a trial lawyer for eight years with a focus on hospital and health law, medical professional liability and medical products liability litigation defense.

Truesdell Smith received her juris doctor from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1992 after earning a master's degree in public health with a health law and bioethics concentration from Boston University School of Public Health in 1989. She has served on institutional review boards responsible for overseeing human subjects research for over a decade. She has worked in biomedical laboratory research at Harvard Medical School and in biomedical ethics at Boston City Hospital, Boston University School of Public Health and the Center for Bioethics at the University of Minnesota. She currently serves on the YWCA Board of Directors.



Denise V. Zamore
Senior Associate General Counsel
UnitedHealthcare Inc.
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Denise Zamore is a Senior Associate General Counsel at UnitedHealthcare where she leads a team of attorneys and non-attorney professionals in the coordination and management of legal, compliance and regulatory matters related to all lines of health insurance business. Denise actively manages litigation related to antitrust, bankruptcy, behavioral health, claims, contract disputes, employment, ERISA, Medicare, Medicaid, and member privacy. In her role, Denise serves as trusted business partner and advisor to senior management and business units on critical and high profile risks and disputes. Denise also supervises aspects of due diligence related to corporate transactions, including post-closing obligation compliance. She collaborates with finance team on risk assessments, reserves and accruals, has led projects related to budget, legal spend and law firm diversity.

Denise is committed to diversity and in 2012 founded the very successful annual diverse 1L summer internship program in UnitedHealthcare's Connecticut and California offices. She previously served as Chair of UnitedHealthcare's Diversity & Inclusion Council and was selected by UHG Chief Legal Officer as a 2013 Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) Fellow and 2017-18 UHG Emerging Leader.

Denise is an active member of her community and serves as a mentor to high school and college students. She serves as a board member of the Connecticut Bar Foundation, a foundation dedicated to promoting equal access to justice; and board member of the Hartford Promise Scholars program, a nonprofit organization focused on high school and college success for Hartford public school students. She has received numerous award and distinctions for her commitment to diversity and the practice of law.

Prior to joining UnitedHealthcare, Denise completed a two-year federal clerkship and practiced complex commercial litigation at large multinational law firms. She received her J.D. from Columbia Law School and her B.A. in government from Georgetown University.

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As Chair of the Minneapolis Trial Group, Theresa is known for her creative problem solving and her ability to make the uncertainties of litigation predictable for her clients. She also has a proven track record for leading trial teams in any litigated forum and obtaining total defense verdicts in jury and bench trials.



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Shevon's practice focuses primarily on the defense of pharmaceutical, medical device, and other companies in complex litigation matters. She has represented AstraZeneca, Boehringer Ingelheim, Dentsply Sirona, Intuitive Surgical, Inc., Pfizer, Takeda, TASER International, Inc., and other large corporate clients in local, regional and national products liability and commercial litigation, as well as in government investigations and consumer fraud cases.

Shevon plays an integral role in case strategy and fact development, and has managed active dockets involving single suits, collections of individual lawsuits, class actions, and Multidistrict Litigations. She also has experience organizing and supervising large-scale document production and review projects. Shevon develops trial strategy, and has successfully drafted and argued dispositive, in limine, and Daubert/Frye motions. She also has significant experience preparing expert witnesses and company employees from various backgrounds and areas of expertise for depositions and trial. In addition, Shevon conducts litigation risk assessments, establishes and manages e-discovery processes, implements compliance programs, and conducts trainings for in-house counsel and staff.

Shevon also is a member of the labor and employment group and assists with all aspects of employment litigation, including class action or representative actions involving violations of the ADA, including cases involving website accessibility, as well as single-plaintiff discrimination, harassment, and retaliation claims, disputes over trade secrets and noncompetition agreements, and other contractual matters. In every case, Shevon and her team conduct a thorough and in-depth evaluation early on, to present her clients with the full range of possible strategy options.

Shevon maintains an active pro bono practice that has included section 1983 prisoner civil rights litigation, divorce representation, and the successful obtainment of permanent residence status for immigrants through the Violence Against Women Act. She has also represented homeowners in premises liability matters, and successfully appealed the denial of an assistive technology petition for a disabled client. Shevon has been on the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania's Pro Bono Roll of Honor each year since 2009.



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Bill practiced law at Dorsey for over 30 years before taking its helm. During that time, he served as litigation counsel to some of the world's most successful and innovative organizations. He credits those clients with teaching him valuable lessons about service and leadership, lessons he keeps at the forefront as he leads Dorsey-- our clients are our top concern, teamwork and cooperation are essential to success, and an organization's people must be valued and provided with opportunities to succeed.

Bill is committed to continuing Dorsey's robust investment in diversity and inclusion and has supported the implementation of policies that further that cause, such as the firm's "Diversity Hours" policy which allows associates to count work and training that promotes diversity toward their billable hours requirements.

Innovation is also a top priority for Bill. As a member of the firm's Management Committee, he supported the addition of an Innovation and Knowledge Management Department, and as Managing Partner, he has appointed the firm's first Innovation Partner to lead the firm's efforts in developing better and faster ways to serve our clients and provide exceptional value.

Bill finds that one of the most rewarding parts of serving as Dorsey's Managing Partner is learning about our clients' businesses from the people who help run them. If you are one of those people, or have questions about Dorsey, he would welcome your call.