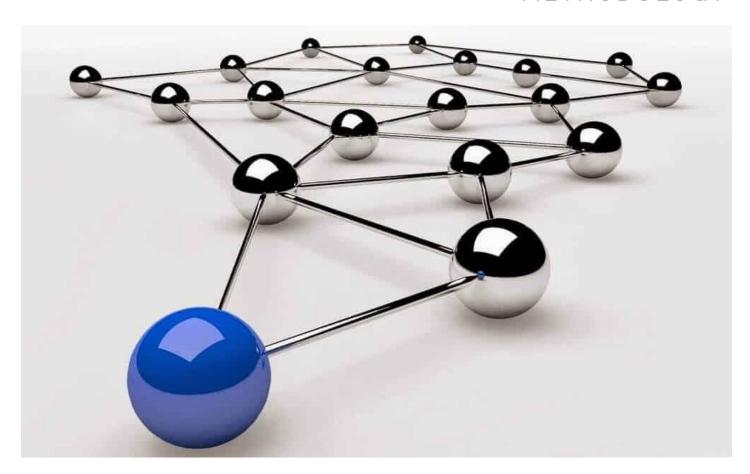


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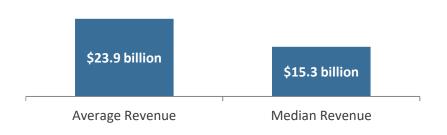
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Highest-Ranking Legal Decision Makers

- Chief Legal Officer
- General Counsel
- Deputy General Counsel
- Associate General Counsel
- Vice President Legal
- Senior Counsel

Organizations with Highest Levels of Legal Spending



Representative of more than 15 Industry Segments

- Banking
- Chemicals
- Consumer Goods
- Energy
- Financial Services
- Food & Agricultural
- Healthcare
- High Tech
- Insurance
- Manufacturing
- Pharmaceuticals
- Professional Services
- Retail Trade
- Real Estate
- Telecom
- Transportation
- Utilities
- Wholesale Trade

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