

Laura Stein

Senior Vice President - General Counsel



Laura Stein serves as senior vice president – general counsel of The Clorox Company with responsibility for the company's worldwide legal, ethics and compliance, corporate secretary, corporate communications, crisis management, risk management and internal audit matters. Stein serves on the Clorox executive committee, chairs the Clorox women's employee resource group, and co-sponsors the company's social responsibility and enterprise risk management programs, among other responsibilities. She works closely with Clorox's board of directors on governance matters.

Previously, Stein was senior vice president – general counsel of the H.J. Heinz Company, a member of the Heinz senior management committee, a director of the H.J. Heinz Company Foundation and president of the Heinz women's group, among other responsibilities. Prior to joining Heinz, Stein was assistant general counsel – regulatory affairs at Clorox, and before that was a corporate lawyer with Morrison & Foerster in San Francisco and Hong Kong.

Stein is a director of Franklin Resources, Inc. (a global investment organization known as Franklin Templeton Investments), and was previously a director of Nash Finch Company. She is chair of the nominating committee and the international committee and is also the immediate past chair of the board of the Association of Corporate Counsel. Stein is co-chair of the Corporate Pro Bono Advisory Board. She is on the board of Equal Justice Works and of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity. She is a member of the American Law Institute and the Association of General Counsel. She is special advisor to the ABA Asia Rule of Law Initiative and serves on the ABA CEELI Council. Stein participates in the Diversity and Flexibility Connection of the Project for Attorney Retention. Stein previously served on the advisory boards of ABA DirectWomen, the ABA Center for Human Rights, and the LexMundi Foundation and on the State Bar of California Task Force on Lawyer Support for Legal Services and the ABA Section of International Law Council. Previously, she was also chair of the ABA Commission on Domestic Violence and of the ABA Asia Rule of Law Initiative, vice-chair of the East Bay Community Law Center, co-chair of the General Counsel Committee of the ABA Business Law Section, and a director of Global Education Partnership and of the Pittsburgh Ballet Theater. She received her J.D. from Harvard Law School, and is a graduate of Dartmouth College where she earned an undergraduate and master's degrees.

Stein has received the Legal Momentum Women of Achievement Award, the Sandra Day O'Connor Board Excellence Award, the Ted Craig Humanitarian Award and the Corporate Board Member America's Top General Counsel Recognition Award. The National Law Journal has named Stein as one of the 20 most influential general counsel in America. The Harvard Law Bulletin has highlighted Stein as one of 50 alumnae who "have used their law degree to take them to extraordinary places." She has been named one of the Bay Area's Most Influential Women in Business by the San Francisco Business Times and was previously named one of Pennsylvania's Best Women in Business by Pennsylvania's Governor. Stein speaks six languages and has lived in China and Italy. She and her husband Mark Conrad are the proud parents of Amanda and Christopher.